



# The *Transmitter*

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*From the Chief of the CAP Chaplain Corps*

*Chaplain (Col.) Charlie Sattgast*

*"Carrying the Torch Forward"*

As a Chaplain Corps we have much cause for gratitude. Over the past three and a half years Chaplain Hughes has laid the groundwork for a revitalized CAP Chaplain Corps and we are all indebted to him for his vision and leadership. Here is a brief report on where we are with the projects that were in process when I became Chief, and a glimpse at where we are headed in the coming year.

### **Character Development**

The new Character Development program is in the final editing process. The program will use 24 virtues-based lessons on a two-year cycle that help instill positive character qualities in our cadets. Phase 1 and 2 cadets will be participants in the Character Development seminars. Level 3 cadets will serve as assistant facilitators for the lessons in conjunction with the chaplain or CDI leading the session. Phase 4 cadets will eventually complete a character-based project.

The lessons include the flexibility to use video, stories, or current events as an attention-getter, and integrate small and large group discussion and a hands-on activity to reinforce the character quality covered in the lesson. Feedback from initial beta testing has been very positive.

We are currently working on a facilitator training video to help prepare our chaplains and CDIs to be the most effective they can be in the new program. The exact rollout date is not available as of press time, but watch for details soon.

### **Mission Chaplain Program**

Training for the new Mission Chaplain / Chaplain Support Specialist program has gone well in two sessions at NESAs. We are currently awaiting the approval of the 70-series (formerly 60-series) regulations for the new SQTRs to go into effect. We expected that date to be October 1, but it has been pushed off until around the first of December.

*( "Carrying the Torch Forward" is continued on page 2 )*

## **“Carrying the Torch Forward” . . . *continued from page 1***

Training is currently available for the CAP Mission-level certification for both chaplains and CDIs. There is an upcoming training event at the California Wing Conference, and a full Chaplain Corps Emergency Services School (ChESS) will be conducted January 21-27, 2018 at Scott AFB, IL, near St. Louis, MO.

Steps are underway to video as much of the training as can be put online so that a good portion of the program can be made available to those who cannot afford the time or money to attend a week-long training event. Watch for updates in 2018.

### **Re-Evaluating Staff Colleges**

The National Chaplain Staff is currently taking a fresh look at how we conduct our Chaplain Corps Region Staff Colleges. One of our goals is to simplify the process of gaining Region Staff College credit so our chaplains and CDIs can progress in their professional development process more easily.

We also feel very strongly that there is great value in our colleges not just being a “one and done” experience, but remaining an ongoing annual resource for honing our skills and developing relationships within our corps. While many of the tweaks we seek to make to our staff college format are more “under the hood,” our intention is to help each region provide the highest quality continuing education experience possible.

### **Recruiting and Retention**

We are still a long way from having 100% chaplain/CDI coverage in our squadrons across CAP, so our National Chaplain Staff is looking at the issue of recruiting and retention from several angles. One challenge we are addressing is educating commanders on the value of having a chaplain and/or a CDI in their squadrons. Many squadrons already have people in place who could assume those roles but commanders have not been trained to appreciate the advantages they would gain by having Chaplain Corps presence in the squadron.

In the same way, many clergy would be open to the kind of ministry represented by CAP chaplaincy but have no idea we exist or the benefits they would enjoy by being involved in CAP. Our goal is to develop a variety of resources for our corps that effectively address both challenges.

### **Air Force Assigned Missions (AFAMs)**

We are currently working with CAP-USAF and our top CAP leadership on the process for CAP chaplains responding to Air Force Assigned Missions. In the future we will need to use WMIRS to coordinate those missions in order for our chaplains to be insured and be under the legal covering of the Air Force and CAP in AFAM ministry roles. The procedures for processing AFAMs through WMIRS should be finalized by the end of 2017.

### **ROTC Update**

CAP support of Air Force ROTC is still in the beta testing phase and is largely on hold until the AFAM process is finalized. Watch for more details in the near future.

I am excited and honored to serve as your Chief of the CAP Chaplain Corps for the next three years. Know that each of you are in my prayers. I believe that together we truly can serve our nation and members as the paradigm of excellence in CAP.

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CHAPLAIN (LT. COL.) STEVEN E. THOMAS - Great Lakes Region

CHAPLAIN (LT. COL.) LINDA PUGSLEY - Southeast Region

CHAPLAIN (LT. COL.) DON MIKITTA - North Central Region

CHAPLAIN (LT. COL.) NANCY SMALLEY - Southwest Region

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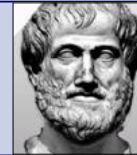
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## CIVIL AIR PATROL CHAPLAIN CORPS

### 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



## UPCOMING EVENTS -- Mark Your Calendars!

### 2017 Military Chaplain Association National Institute & Annual Meeting

October 24-26

Newport News Marriott at City Center Newport News, VA

**Online registration:** <https://www.mca-usa.org/national-institute/>

**Hotel reservation:** [goo.gl/QfN3TG](http://goo.gl/QfN3TG)

### Chaplain Corps Emergency Services School (ChESS)

Revised Date (October session postponed)

21-27 January, 2018 at Scott AFB, IL

repeat MC-CS & CSS-CS Rating Training Track

contact Chaplain (Lt. Col.) Van Don Williams. ChESS Registrar

Email: [vwilliams@hc.cap.gov](mailto:vwilliams@hc.cap.gov) or phone: (347) 528-0060

The goal for 2018 is to transition all CAP Chaplain Corps personnel into the new Mission Chaplain program. The Mission Chaplain-CAP Support (MC-CS for Chaplains) and Chaplain Support Specialist-CAP Support (CSS-CS for CDIs) ratings are now the basic, NO EXPIRE ES ratings for all CAP Chaplain Corps personnel. We will run ONLY the training tracks for these ratings in 2018.

*In 2018, we will run our FULL training curriculum at ChESS, to include the Mission Chaplain/Chaplain Support Specialist-Disaster Support (MC-DS/CSS-DS) and the Mission Chaplain-Air Force Support (Chaplains ONLY) Advanced Training rating.*

ChESS training schedule will resume in 2018 as follows: a) late January 2018; b) the regular 2018 NESAschedule, July 2018; and c) late October 2018. The site locations for these training events to be determined and announced.

### 2018 CHAPLAIN CORPS STAFF COLLEGES

NORTHEAST REGION April 8-13, 2018

Camp Niantic Regional Training Institute

Connecticut Army National Guard, Niantic, CT

MC-CS & CSS-CS Training/Ch. (Lt. Col.) Van Don Williams

PACIFIC COAST REGION April 16-19, 2018

Camp Pendleton, CA

GREAT LAKES REGION May 21-4, 2018\*

Fort Custer CRTC, Battle Creek, MI

\*rooms available Sun, May 20



# AWARD WINNERS 2017 NATIONAL CONFERENCE

(photos by Susan Schneider, CAP NHQ)

## OF THE YEAR AWARDS



Captain Carol Warnock  
2017 Character Development  
Instructor of the Year

### NATIONAL OF THE YEAR AWARDS

Chaplain (Lt. Col.) Adma Ross  
(NER/CTWG)  
Senior Chaplain of the Year

Chaplain (Lt. Col.) Ivan Peacock  
(SER/TNWG)  
Squadron Chaplain of the Year

Capt. Carol Warnock  
(MER/VAWG)  
Character Development Instructor of the Year



Chaplain (Lt. Col.) Adma Ross  
2017 Senior Chaplain  
of the Year

## SPECIAL AWARDS



### **DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD**

Chaplain (Col.) James Hughes received the  
Distinguished Service Award from CAP National  
Commander Maj. Gen. Joseph Vazquez



### EXCEPTIONAL SERVICE AWARD

Lt. Col. Jaimie Henson  
Chaplain (Lt. Col.) Tim Miner  
Chaplain (Lt. Col.) Charlie Sattgast  
Chaplain (Lt. Col.) Linda Pugsley  
Chaplain (Lt. Col.) Marcus Taylor

Not present to receive award:  
Chaplain (Lt. Col.) Paul Ward  
Chaplain (Lt. Col.) Jeff Williams



### MERITORIOUS SERVICE AWARD

Chaplain (Lt. Col.) Adma Ross

Not present to receive award:  
Chaplain (Col.) John Murdoch



### COMMANDERS COMMENDATION

Not present to receive award:

#### NATIONAL AWARD

Chaplain (Lt. Col.) Oscar Cope  
Chaplain (Lt. Col.) James Howell  
Chaplain (Lt. Col.) Ron Tottingham  
Chaplain (Lt. Col.) Ken Van Loon

#### REGIONAL AWARD

Chaplain (Lt. Col.) Stuart Boyd

# 2017 NATIONAL CONFERENCE COMMANDER'S CALL TO PRAYER

View the entire service at <https://capchaplain.com/2017/10/05/call-to-prayer-2017-investiture-keynote-address/>

(Courtesy Chaplain (Lt. Col.) Tim Miner)



Chaplain (Lt. Col.) Richard Nelson (left) presiding



Chaplain (Capt.) Aharon Cohn (right) reading Deut. 31:7-9 in Hebrew and English

## Others Participating in the Prayer Breakfast

Welcome: Maj. Gen. Joseph Vazquez  
Invocation: Chaplain (Lt. Col.) Linda Pugsley  
Special Music: Chaplain (Col.) John Murdoch  
Prayer of Praise for God's Blessings: Chaplain (Lt. Col.) Don Mikitta  
Prayer for Our Service Members: Chaplain (Lt. Col.) John Reutemann  
Prayer for Our CAP Membership: Lt. Col. Jaimie Henson  
Prayer for Our Nation and Our Nation's Leaders: Chaplain (Lt. Col.) Wayne Byerly  
Prayer for CAP Leadership: Chaplain (Col.) James "Jay" Hughes  
Scripture Reading (Joshua 1): Maj. Carla Warnock  
Introduction of Featured Speaker: Chaplain (Lt. Col.) Ronny Whitt  
Benediction: Chaplain (Lt. Col.) Ron Tottingham

## Morning Address

by Major General Mark Smith, CAP National Commander

The instructions Joshua received from the Lord on his installation as leader (Joshua 1:1-9) covered the following points:

1. Get Ready  
How? – In CAP we prepare ourselves, as we do for a hurricane.
2. Be Strong and Courageous  
Joshua was ready – he knew God. So we too can be confident.
3. Be Careful to Obey  
God's commandment for us is to always do the right thing; we must adhere to our moral compass.
4. Do Not Be Discouraged

"Do not be terrified, do not be afraid, for the Lord your God will be with you wherever you go." (Joshua 1:9)

How are we to get through the turbulent times ahead? There is a path to success. In a time of transition, God provided mentorship at key times and in just the right manner for Joshua to be a success. God can do the same for us. We can be confident to the end.

See the video of Commander Smith's address at <https://capchaplain.com/2017/09/28/new-national-commander-talk/> (T. Miner)



## INVESTITURE OF THE CHIEF OF CHAPLAIN CORPS

During the Commander's Call to Prayer, Chaplain Charlie Sattgast, the new Chief of Chaplain Corps, received his stole of office and was promoted to the rank of Colonel.

View the Investiture at: <https://capchaplain.com/2017/09/27/chaplain-charlie-sattgast-chief-chaplain-corps/> (T. Miner)



### National Chief of Chaplain Corps—Select Sattgast Receiving the Stole of Office

*(on the left)*

*(l. to r.)* Reverend Donald Eubank, International Church of the Foursquare Gospel Endorser; Col. John Murdock, Chief of Chaplains Emeritus; Chaplains (Col.) Jay Hughes and Charlie Sattgast, Chiefs-in-Transition; National Commander Maj. Gen. Mark Smith (behind Col. Sattgast, installing the stole), Linda Sattgast

### National Chief of Chaplain Corps Charlie Sattgast is promoted to the rank of Colonel:

*(on the right)*

National Commander Maj. Gen. Mark Smith (*l.*) and Reverend Donald Eubank (*r.*) installing the epaulets, with Linda Sattgast looking on.



### The Stole Worn by Former Chiefs of Chaplain Corps

Former Chief Chaplain John Murdoch (wearing a stole) invests Chaplain Jay Hughes with his emeritus stole. (All stoles were designed and prepared by Chaplain (Lt. Col.) Jeffrey and 1<sup>st</sup> Lt. Sally Williams)

### Friday and Saturday Worship Services

Jewish Service by  
Chaplain (Capt.) Aharon Cohn

Catholic Service officiated by  
Chaplain (Lt. Col.) John Reutemann

Protestant Service led by  
Chaplain (Lt. Col.) Alexander Alvarez



## 2017 NATIONAL CONFERENCE

CHAPLAIN CORPS ADVISORY COUNCIL (CCAC)  
CHAPLAIN CORPS EXECUTIVE COUNCIL (CCEC)



Photo by Susan Schneider

### Among those present at the Chaplain Corps Advisory Council (CCAC) Sessions

(from bottom and up the stairs, l. to r.): Chaplain (Col.) Charlie Sattgast, Chaplain (Col.) Jay Hughes, Chaplain (Lt. Col.) Ron Tottingham, Chaplain (Lt. Col.) Richard Nelson, Chaplain (Lt. Col.) Tim Miner, Chaplain (Lt. Col.) James Howell, Chaplain (Lt. Col.) Ron Whitt, Chaplain (Lt. Col.) Steven Thomas, Chaplain (Lt. Col.) Linda Pugsley, Chaplain (Col.) John Murdoch, Chaplain (Lt. Col.) Oscar Cope, Chaplain (Lt. Col.) Wayne Byerly, Chaplain (Lt. Col.) Marcus L. Taylor, Chaplain (Lt. Col.) Sergio Freeman, Chaplain (Lt. Col.) Adma Ross, Chaplain (Lt. Col.) Robert Whitely, Chaplain (Lt. Col.) Don Mikitta, Chaplain (Lt. Col.) Jeff Williams, Lt. Col. Jaimie Henson.



Photo from the Chaplain Corps Facebook site

Chief of Chaplains-Select Charlie Sattgast (r.) addresses the CCAC, with Chief of Chaplains Jay Hughes (l.) presiding.

### Chaplain Corps Advisory Council

The Chaplain Corps Advisory Council (CCAC) met in a planning session on Wednesday, September 30 at the National Conference in San Antonio. Reports were received from National Chaplain Corps Staff and Region Chaplains. Chief of Chaplains-Select Charlie Sattgast set forth his priorities and named the following staff to serve in his upcoming term:

Chaplain (Lt. Col.) Paul Ward – Special Advisor  
Chaplain (Col.) John Murdoch – Deputy Chief  
Chaplain (Lt. Col.) Sergio Freeman – Chief, Plans and Programs  
Chaplain (Lt. Col.) James Howell – Chief, Personnel  
Chaplain (Lt. Col.) Ron Whitt – Secretary  
Chaplain (Lt. Col.) Jeffrey Williams – Assistant for IT

Sattgast will place a priority in his term on upgrading the curriculum of the region staff colleges, and on promoting the recruiting and retention of chaplains and CDIs. For a comprehensive and timely report on Col. Sattgast's remarks, see the article, "A Vibrant Future is the Vision of the New Chief of Chaplain Corps," by Chaplain (Lt. Col.) Tim Miner, posted September 12, 2017 on the news page of the Chaplain Corps website:

<https://capchaplain.com/2017/09/12/vibrant-future-vision-new-chief/>

# 2017 NATIONAL CONFERENCE CHAPLAIN CORPS WORKSHOPS

This year all of our Chaplain Corps Workshops were live video recorded and are available on the Chaplain Corps Blog site:

<https://capchaplain.com/2017/10/05/chaplain-corps-workshops-2017/>

We are indebted to Chaplain (Lt. Col.) Timothy Miner, Special Assistant to the Chief for Social Media, who provided this service.

## CHAPLAIN CORPS FORUM



Chaplains (Col.) Jay Hughes (r.) and Charlie Sattgast (l.) and Lt. Col. Paul Ward (by video conference).

A discussion of issues facing CAP Chaplaincy open to all CAP members

## GETTING TO KNOW THE NEW CHIEF OF CHAPLAINS



Corps members laying on of hands in prayer for Chief Sattgast

Chaplain (Col.) Charlie Sattgast  
Learn of the Chief's goals and make suggestions for the future of the Chaplain Corps

## UPDATE ON MISSION CHAPLAIN REQUIREMENTS



Chaplain Taylor detailing CHES prerequisites

Chaplains (Lt. Col.) Marcus Taylor and (Lt. Col.) Linda Pugsley

An Overview of the new Mission Chaplain requirements and the new role for CDIs in chaplain support missions

Slides:

[https://www.capmembers.com/media/cms/2017\\_CAP\\_National\\_Conf\\_C\\_chaplain\\_Co\\_AE55B2687E596.pdf](https://www.capmembers.com/media/cms/2017_CAP_National_Conf_C_chaplain_Co_AE55B2687E596.pdf)

## 2017 NATIONAL CONFERENCE CHANGE OF COMMAND CEREMONY

(photos by Susan Schneider, CAP NHQ)



National Commander Mark E. Smith is sworn in by Lt. Gen. Judith Fedder, USAF (Ret.), Chair, CAP Board of Governors (*left*). In photo on the right, Fedder passes the colors of command to Smith.

FOR MORE ABOUT NATIONAL COMMANDER MARK E. SMITH see:

Ethical Leadership is New National Commander's Background,

by Chaplain (Lt. Col.) Tim Miner at <https://capchaplain.com/2017/09/08/ethical-leadership-national-commander/>

Command Philosophy of Maj. Gen. Mark Smith

2 September 2017 letter to CAP membership (in part)

**Vision and Mission.** We are proud to represent the Nation's finest volunteer organization, the Civil Air Patrol. We will not forget our **vision**: "Civil Air Patrol, America's Air Force auxiliary, building the nation's finest force of citizen volunteers serving America." We are called to serve community, state, and nation in performing Civil Air Patrol's **mission**: "Supporting America's communities with emergency response, diverse aviation and ground services, youth development, and promotion of air, space and cyber power." We will conduct ourselves in accordance with certain principles to achieve our vision and excel in accomplishing our mission.

**Live the Core Values.** Civil Air Patrol's core values comprise the ethical fabric that holds our organization together. Our high standard of ethics set us apart from other organizations and garners trust from those with whom we interact, whether locally or at the national level. Every member of Civil Air Patrol must embrace our core values and put them to practice continuously.

**Integrity** is foundational to our organization's ethical framework, and all other aspects of our core values come from this most important attribute. We are called to do the right thing – always – regardless of the circumstances.

**Volunteer Service** is what we do. We voluntarily give of ourselves, our time, and our resources in service to community, state, and nation. In Civil Air Patrol, it is not all about us. Rather, our focus is on others and how we can make a positive difference in people's lives.

We are called to **Excellence** in all we do. We will continually strive to exceed expectations. When we fall short of where we aimed we will learn and apply lessons in order to continuously improve in all aspects of our enterprise.

**Respect** is the central characteristic we employ to ensure we are successful as an organization. We all come from different backgrounds, yet every member of Civil Air Patrol is valued. We treat one another with fairness and dignity and work together as a team.

Message in total at [https://www.capmembers.com/media/cms/Maj\\_Gen\\_Smith\\_Command\\_Philosophy\\_2\\_A66475EC71B8B.pdf](https://www.capmembers.com/media/cms/Maj_Gen_Smith_Command_Philosophy_2_A66475EC71B8B.pdf)

# CAP'S CORE VALUES AND ETHICS



Contributed by Major Joan L. Lee, PhD  
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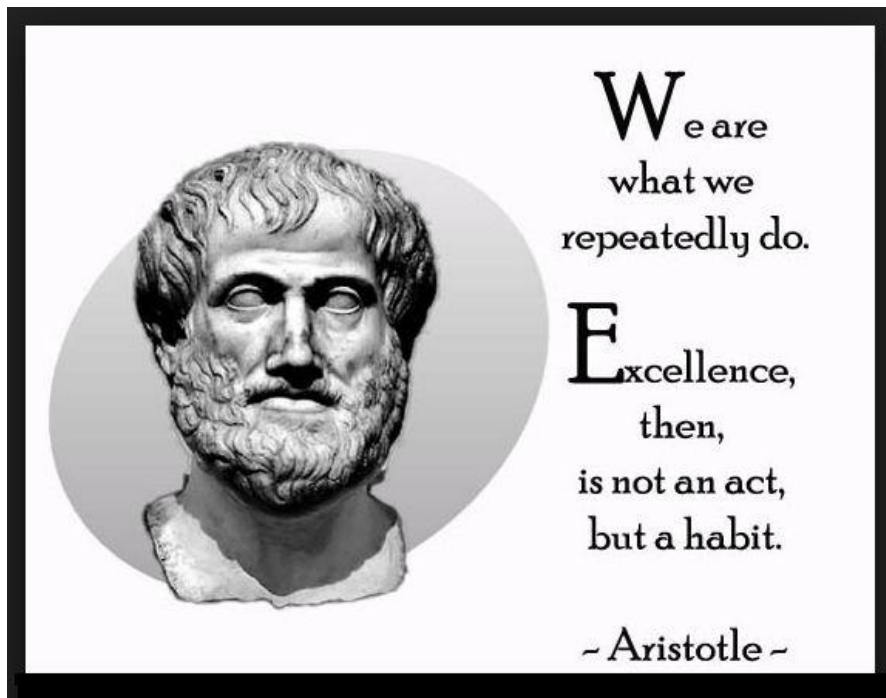
CAP adopted four key Core Values, (Integrity, Volunteer Service, Excellence, Respect) in 1999. As Chaplains and Character Development Instructors, it's likely that you could name (and explain) the CAP Core Values with ease. But, how aware of the core values are most CAP members? Our members take a course that includes an introduction to the Core Values in Level I (or in the Cadet Great Start Program for cadet members), but are they reinforced in our day-to-day operations? A colleague, who previously taught as a civilian instructor at the Air Force Academy, told me how surprised he was at the level of emphasis on the Air Force Core Values at the Academy. On the landing of every stairwell, and at the entrance to every building, the Air Force Core Values were posted prominently to continually remind the Cadets of the importance of those Core Values.

Why does the Air Force think it is so important that cadets at the Academy become conversant with the Air Force Core Values? And by extension, why is it important that our CAP members have a high degree of familiarity with CAP's Core Values? There are many answers to these questions. Block 1-05 of the Regional Staff College Curriculum Guide tells us that "We have been given a public trust and we are judged by the public and the USAF by our ability to live up to our Core Values," (CAPP 50-6, November 2014). Perhaps a further answer to these questions can be found in some basic philosophical ethical theory, as well as in organizational ethical theory.

Virtue ethics, which traces its roots back to Aristotle, focuses on one's character and asks the question, "What kind of person should I be?"<sup>1</sup> This philosophical approach suggests that we are the sum of our actions. One of the early attractions of virtue ethics was that it suggested an alternate path to predestination. You aren't born virtuous; rather you become virtuous by acting in a virtuous manner. How is this relevant to the CAP Core Values? Virtue ethics would suggest that the way one becomes a person of integrity is by acting with integrity. The same can be said for each of CAP's core values. You demonstrate Volunteer Service by volunteering. You become a person of Excellence by acting in an excellent manner. You embrace Respect by treating others with respect. Virtue ethics would suggest that knowledge of CAP's Core Values is not sufficient; each CAP member must live CAP's Core Values in order for those values to be representative of the organization.

Organizational ethical theory also is relevant in assessing the importance of familiarity with the Core Values in CAP. Deloitte<sup>2</sup> suggests that an organization is more likely to achieve long-term strategic





success, which, for CAP, would mean successfully completing its mission, when 1. There is a sense of shared values within the organization, and 2. Members of senior management “openly communicate those values on an ongoing and consistent basis.”<sup>2</sup> The tone at the top is not limited to senior management, however, it is critical that everyone in the organization live the Core Values that are demonstrated by senior management. In CAP, this means that leaders at every level of the organization – National, Regional, Wing and Squadron – must live CAP’s Core Values if we are to be recognized, as an organization, for Excellence, Volunteer Service, Respect and Integrity.

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<sup>1</sup> Ethics and Virtue. Available at: <https://www.scu.edu/ethics/ethics-resources/ethical-decision-making/ethics-and-virtue/>

<sup>2</sup>Deloitte, “Tone at the top: the first ingredient in a world-class ethics and compliance program,” 2014, available at: [http://deloitte.wsj.com/riskandcompliance/files/2014/12/Tone\\_at\\_the\\_top.pdf](http://deloitte.wsj.com/riskandcompliance/files/2014/12/Tone_at_the_top.pdf)

### Other Articles on Core Values in “The Transmitter”

This article on the philosophical foundations of Core Values in CAP by Maj. Joan Lee is one of a series of articles on Core Values appearing in “The Transmitter.”

For remarks on Core Values by National Commander Colonel Mark Smith, see page 10 of this issue.

**The Value of Chaplains and CDIs at Basic Encampments by Col. James Ridley**, Summer 2015  
[http://capchaplain.com/downloads/Transmitter\\_Winter\\_2017.pdf](http://capchaplain.com/downloads/Transmitter_Winter_2017.pdf)

**Appearing soon: Core Values For Commanders by Col. James Ridley, CT Wing Commander**

# CHAPLAIN CORPS UPDATES

From The Receiver, the Rocky Mountain Region (RMR) Chaplain Corps Newsletter, October 2017  
Chaplain (Lt. Col.) Jeffrey Williams RMR Chaplain, editor

*Editor's note: Two CT Wing CDI candidates successfully registered for and completed this course. I would give the course a five star rating for its availability, cost, convenience in registration, management, connectivity, content, and outcome.*

## Online Training Leaders of Cadets Course

As announced in the August, 2017 Receiver, we planned an online session of the Training Leaders of Cadets (Basic) course. Our original estimate was for possibly a dozen students, but that was quickly shown as an unrealistic estimate. By registration cutoff on 15 September, fifty students registered. On 30 September, twenty-nine students from four of the eight regions finished the course. Every Wing in the Rocky Mountain Region had participants, as well as the Southwest, North Central, and Northeast Regions.

The intent of offering the course via teleconference is to ensure that we have senior members who are qualified to become Character Development Instructors. This course is one of the requirements which applicants meet before they can be appointed. Knowing the difficulty that potential students have in attending a face-to-face session, Col. Tom Kettell and Curt LaFond (National Cadet Programs) authorized this experiment.

Our students used two online platforms for this course. The first, Manhattan Virtual Classroom, is an Open Source learning management system which is hosted on the CAP Chaplain Corps library system. Here they discussed several questions posed by the course, plus introduced themselves. Some even provided pictures and other biographical information.

Colorado Mountain College provided the web conferencing software, WebEX (trademark of Cisco), for the presentations on 30 September. We could not have had a better system for hosting this course. Each student was able to see the presentation graphics slides while having clear audio. WebEX provides either a conference telephone bridge or the ability to use computer audio, both of which worked very well. During the course of the day we discovered that the chat function of WebEX gave us more flexibility in asking questions. Many students were able to elaborate on their answers, provide web links, and add to the conversation.

Students were very pleased with the results of the course. One wrote, "Appreciate the online experience! I would not have been able to take the in-classroom version anytime soon." Another wrote, "My competence level is not based on the training, but more on my perceived abilities. I now have the tools to improve my skills because of the great leaders who provided the training." There were some unexpected benefits noted by the students, such as, "The wide variety of Wings represented also allowed for great networking and the representation of many different ideas."

Instructors for the course, Maj. Keith Christian, Lt. Col. Nathan Van Dam (both of the Broomfield Composite Squadron, Colorado Wing), and the Region Chaplain each expressed admiration for the student body as well as the ease of using WebEX.

Will we present this course again using similar facilities? I hope so. If approved, we wish to provide another session on 20 January 2018.

# CHAPLAIN CORPS UPDATES

From The Receiver, the Rocky Mountain Region (RMR) Chaplain Corps Newsletter  
Chaplain (Lt. Col.) Jeffrey Williams RMR Chaplain, editor

## Chaplain Corps Awards

Is it “Of the Year Award” time already? How time flies, yet indeed we should be prepared to recognize the accomplishments of our Chaplain Corps members.

In general, your “Of the Year” awards should be submitted to your Wing Awards and Decorations Committee no later than 15 January 2018. However, it is much better to get these into the system by 15 December so to give the committee time to receive and process the requests. The award recommendations go first to the Wing for consideration for local honors. Wing “Of the Year” award winners are normally forwarded to Region for consideration. Each Region selects a nominee for the National award. The National Chaplain receives the nominations on 15 March, so you see the importance of the early nomination date so the recommendation can flow through the system.

In the past, CAPR 265-1 called for three awards; Senior Chaplain, Chaplain, and Character Development Instructor. The new CAPR 80-1, which is the renumbered CAPR 265-1, calls for two awards; Chaplain and Character Development Instructor.

**10.1. National Chaplain of the Year Award.** This award is given for outstanding chaplain ministry at the squadron, wing, or region level. All chaplains serving below the National level are eligible to be nominated if they meet the criteria listed below. Each wing commander in cooperation with the wing chaplain may submit a chaplain as a nominee for the Region Chaplain of the Year Award. Chaplains serving at the region level may be nominated for consideration as the Region Chaplain of the Year in addition to the nominations received from the wings in that region. Candidates must have completed Level II of the senior member professional development program, including at least the Technician rating in the 221 specialty track. All nominations will include a one-page narrative justification. The person selected as the Region Chaplain of the Year will become the regions nominee for the national award. The region commander will ensure a region nomination is submitted for the national award. The region commander will ensure a region nomination is submitted for the national award.

**10.2. National Character Development Specialist of the Year.** This award is given for outstanding service as a Character Development Specialist<sup>1</sup> at the squadron, wing, or region level. Each wing commander in cooperation with the wing chaplain may submit a CDS as a nominee for the Region Character Development Specialist of the Year Award. CDSs serving at the region level may be nominated for consideration as the Region Character Development Specialist of the Year in addition to the nominations received from the wings in that region. Candidates must have completed Level II of the senior member professional development program, including at least the Technician rating in the 225 specialty track. All nominations will include a one-page narrative justification. The person selected as the Region Character Development Specialist of the Year will become the regions nominee for the national award. The region commander will ensure a region nomination is submitted for the national award.

<sup>1</sup> The title of Character Development Instructor may be changed to Character Development Specialist.

Once you are comfortable with the description as to why your candidate should receive this award, submit via the online Awards. When you are preparing these award nominations, and

*(“Chaplain Corps Awards” is continued on page 17)*

# CHAPLAINS FROM THREE WINGS SUPPORT FEMA NEED

Contributed by Chaplain (Lt. Col.) Tim Miner, VA Wing Chaplain



Mission Chaplains from three wings responded quickly to the needs of the National Response Coordination Center (NRCC) at FEMA headquarters in Washington, D.C. Inside the headquarters staff members receive calls from victims of major disasters and attempt to assist whenever possible. The stress levels were high this summer as three major hurricanes struck the United States and its territories.

On Tuesday, 5 September, responding to an urgent request from the leadership of the National Response Coordination Center (NRCC) at the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) headquarters in Washington, D.C., Civil Air Patrol chaplains started around-the-clock support and a ministry-of-presence to the workers and volunteers staffing the heart of the nation's disaster recovery efforts after Hurricane Harvey and, at the time, preparing for Hurricane Irma. The wing chaplains from the National Capital Wing, Chaplain (Lt. Col.) Michael Strickland, and Virginia Wing, Chaplain (Lt. Col.) Timothy Miner responded to the FEMA request for assistance on Labor Day to plot the CAP response.

Both wing chaplains returned the next day to staff the first two 12-hour shifts. They served as the leadership team for mission chaplains responding from their wings and the Maryland Wing. CAP chaplains became the continuous presence at the site and were augmented for short periods each shift from local faith-based disaster-response organizations aligned with the local Volunteer Organizations Assisting Disasters (VOAD) community.

The wing chaplains initially recruited to support a two-week schedule with most of the mission chaplains coming from the Virginia Wing. When Hurricane Jose appeared on the map, the team was told to prepare for an indefinite schedule to provide emotional care and spiritual needs to the staff, already stretched from the large volume of calls for assistance from victims of the back-to-back disasters.

Ultimately, the mission lasted seven days as FEMA called on the more experienced staff members to deal with victims' needs and many of the headquarters' staff deployed to serve onsite in Texas, Florida and in the Caribbean. Besides the two wing chaplains, the other mission chaplains agency who responded onsite, deployed to Washington or who changed their lives to be on the schedule included:



Chaplain (Major) Reginald Burgess, deputy wing chaplain of the Virginia Wing, had the chance to meet the Vice President of the United States, Mike Pence, and members of the Cabinet as they toured the FEMA NRCC facility on 10 September 2017.



Chaplain (Maj.) Reggie Burgess (VAWG)  
Chaplain (Capt.) Madelyn Campbell (VAWG)  
Chaplain (Lt. Col.) Edco Bailey (MDWG chaplain)  
Chaplain (Maj.) James Moser (VAWG)  
Chaplain (Lt. Col.) Richard Bower (MDWG)

Chaplain Burgess had the opportunity to show the nation's leadership the chaplain corps' volunteer service in action. On Sunday, 10 September, Vice President Pence and members of the Cabinet toured the NRCC. Burgess, along with the CAP NRCC liaison officer on duty, Major Richard Stuart, had the chance to briefly talk with the leaders about what CAP offers during disaster responses. The interactions were recorded by C-Span television and are available at:

<https://www.C-span.org/video/?c4681890/pence-nrcc>

At the end of the mission, the FEMA leader who requested CAP chaplains initially emailed the Virginia Wing chaplain, saying: "thank you very much for your assistance! It was a first for FEMA HQ that I know of, and it was a successful experiment in my opinion. The reason I asked for you in particular was due to your CISM capabilities in addition to the chaplain request. It is an awesome fit and I really hope you don't mind (we do go at warp speed sometimes). . . . What you did was truly appreciated..."



The National Response Coordination Center (NRCC) is a multi-agency command center that oversees preparations and initial actions to provide for disaster responses. The Civil Air Patrol maintains a liaison contact on the staff during day hours as necessary.

According to its own information, "The National Response Coordination Center is a multiagency center that coordinates the overall Federal support for major incidents and emergencies. The National Response Coordination Center coordinates with the affected region(s) and provides resources and policy guidance in support of the incident. The National Response Coordination Center staff consists of FEMA personnel, appropriate Emergency Support Functions from various federal agencies, and other appropriate personnel/agencies. The staff specifically provides emergency management coordination, planning, resource deployment, and collects and disseminates disaster information as it builds and maintains situational awareness—all at the national-level. The National Response Coordination Center is located inside FEMA headquarters in Washington D.C."

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anyone can nominate, the best thing you can do is write the citation before you actually go into e-services to submit the award. Ask a seasoned author, such as a Public Affairs Officer, to review the nomination. Consult CAPP 39-3 Awards Made Easy for the best words and format to use for these nominations. If possible, include external documentation such as letters of recommendation, newspaper articles, pictures, and the like, as attachments.

Recommendation application in e-services. You could use a paper CAPF 120, but those tend to get lost, while the electronic version does not. Consider this guideline, if you have a Chaplain or a CDI in your unit who meets the requirements for the award nominate them. Having multiple people submitted for this award means there is good competition, so the best candidates can be recognized. Please do not wait for the last minute. Please do not think someone else will write the nomination. Take this responsibility and run with it.

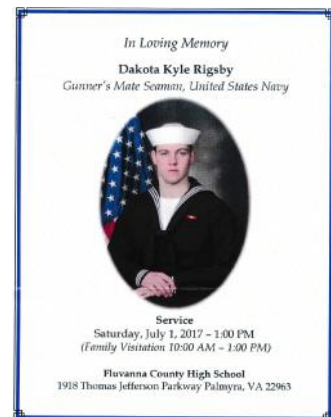
## CAP Chaplain Provides Military Support

At the national conference in San Antonio, Chaplain (Colonel) James Hughes commented that he was disappointed that the good work of the chaplain corps was not included in the final briefing of the out-going national commander. "I thought that they should have at least included our support to the USS Fitzgerald crew."

In the very early hours of Saturday, 17 June 2017, the United States warship, the USS Fitzgerald, collided with a Japanese freighter in the western Pacific Ocean. Sustaining heavy damage, seven active duty enlisted sailors were unaccounted for in the aftermath. One of the sailors, 19-year-old, Gunner's Mate Dakota Kyle Rigsby of Lake Monticello, Virginia, was among the missing. It would take hours before the ship limped into port in Japan where damaged areas of the vessel could be searched.

A half-a-world away, in Charlottesville, Va., a young Navy Casualty Assistance Calls Officer (CACO), on duty as a member of the Navy ROTC faculty at the University of Virginia, was looking for a military chaplain to support his first death notification to the young sailor's parents who lived nearby.

Reaching out to the Air Force ROTC detachment, he learned that a new program to provide military chaplains was just announced and that the AFROTC commander was already in contact with one of the first ten chaplains selected to test the program. The lieutenant called the AFROTC's future chaplain and asked if he could standby to support the duty. The chaplain was the Civil Air Patrol's Virginia Wing Chaplain and the CAP mission chaplain assigned at Marine Base (MCB) Quantico, Lt. Col. Timothy Miner.



At 1 a.m. on Sunday, 18 June, Father's Day, Miner, in his CAP service dress uniform, and the Navy CACO, in Navy summer whites, went to the family where the chaplain delivered the heartbreaking news that Rigsby was found in a damaged and flooded berthing area onboard the USS Fitzgerald. There was a trip to Dover AFB to bring Rigsby home to Virginia in an escorted honor convoy. A community-wide memorial service



and a funeral with full military honors followed.

The first responder communities provided considerable support. Rigsby had been a volunteer firefighter in his home town along with his mother. His father was a police officer for the county. Those communities provided the greatest strength for the family, but Miner was the chaplain. When it came time to organize the memorial service and funeral, the family asked Miner to officiate.

On 1 July, the public came together at Rigsby's high school in Fluvanna County to remember the life of a young volunteer who wanted to serve his country. A private graveside service followed with honors rendered by the cadets of the UVA NROTC program. Shipmates from the USS Fitzgerald were there. Firefighters and police from throughout the state came along with representatives from local and state government. At the request of the Chief of Chaplains of the US Navy, Miner co-officiated with an active-duty Navy chaplain.

As a direct result of this event, the US Navy has assigned a Navy chaplain to support each CACO in the world. It will be unlikely that a CAP chaplain will be used in this way again. However, the biggest lesson to be learned was that volunteering leads to recognition and the chance to serve in unique and divinely-influenced ways. For the Civil Air Patrol Chaplain Corps, it was a chance to live the core value of "volunteer service."

# WELCOME ABOARD!!!!

## Chaplain and CDI Appointments

July – September 2017

### CDI APPOINTMENTS

2<sup>nd</sup> Lt. Cheyne Andrade (PCR/HIWG)  
Maj. Kenneth Brummett (SWR/LAWG)  
Maj. Tera Cowles (RMR/WYWG)  
Lt. Col. Danielle DeAngelo (NER/NER)  
Maj. Jon Domke (PCR/CAWG)  
SM David Fairbairn (GLR/OHWG)  
Lt. Col. Kimberly Frady (MER/VAWG)  
2<sup>nd</sup> Lt. Robert Gordon (MER/DCWG)  
Maj. Robert Hill (GLR/OHWG)  
1<sup>st</sup> Lt. Ilse House (GLR/KYWG)  
2<sup>nd</sup> Lt. Susan Luck (MER/VAWG)  
2<sup>nd</sup> Lt. Vivison Kerr (SER/FLWG)  
Maj. Irma Knox (NER/NJWG)  
1<sup>st</sup> Lt. Debra Mann (SER/FLWG)  
Lt. Col. Tina McGinnis (GLR/MIWG)  
Maj. Latonya McHale (SWR/OKWG)  
Capt. Kenneth Oster (PCR/CAWG)  
Capt. Karen Pearson (NCR/MOWG)  
Capt. Robert Proefrock (NER/NYWG)  
Lt. Col. Marco Soave (MER/VAWG)  
2<sup>nd</sup> Lt. Daniel Temple (PCR/NVWG)  
2<sup>nd</sup> Lt. Ronald Yarnell (NCR/IAWG)

### CHAPLAIN APPOINTMENTS

Capt. John Amaral (NER/RIWG)  
1<sup>st</sup> Lt. Jason Batchelder (NER/NHWG)  
Capt. Douglas Davis (NER/NJWG)  
Capt. David Holland (PCR/CAWG)  
Capt. Terry Finley (SER/ALWG)  
Capt. Reva Henderson (PCR/CAWG)  
Capt. Marc Ober (GLR/INWG)  
Capt. Christopher Slack (NER/MAWG)  
Capt. Guillame Williams (NCR/MOWG)

### NEW APPOINTMENTS

#### **Congratulations**

on the following recent appointments

**Chaplain (Lt. Col.) Dan Miles**  
New Jersey Wing Chaplain  
**Chaplain, (Lt. Col.) Nancy Smalley**  
Southwest Region Chaplain  
**Chaplain (Maj.) McKinley Wood**  
Wyoming Wing Chaplain

### CAP Chaplains Are Featured in the Fall Issue of the CAP Volunteer

Two of our CAP chaplains are featured in the Fall 2017 Cadet Programs 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary issue of the CAP Volunteer: Chaplain (Lt. Col.) Debra Prosser, Nevada Wing Chaplain and Chaplain (Maj.) David King of the Vancouver Composite Squadron, WA Wing.

The article, "A Higher Calling,"<sup>1</sup> is devoted to former CAP cadets who have continued their CAP careers and are now engaged in full-time ministry. Both Prosser and King credit their cadet careers as important in their success in ministry. Prosser remarks, "I know I would not be where I am today without CAP and the specific mentors I had as a cadet." States King, "As a cadet, I learned so much: how to set goals and meet them in the pursuit of excellence, and how to work with diverse people and treat them with respect." Maj. Lisa Myrick, also appearing in the article, is a Hawaii pastor, former cadet, and now the Hawaii Wing Inspector General.

<sup>1</sup><https://view.imirus.com/681/document/12735/page/77>



# 2017 Great Lakes Region Chaplain Corps Staff College

Reported By Chaplain (Lt. Col.) Gary Eno, College Director

**Theme:** Chaplain Emergency Services School

**Location:** USO at Wright Patterson AFB (W/P AFB), Dayton, Ohio, May 21-24, 2017

**Main Instructors:** Ch. (Lt. Col.) Steve Thomas, GLR Chaplain; Ch. (Lt. Col.) Gary Eno, OHWG Chaplain.

**Guest Instructors:** Ch. (Lt. Col.) Theodore (Ted) Wilson, USAF; Ch. (Capt.) Paul Snyder, USAF.

**Great Lakes Region Chaplain Corps Staff College Staff:** Ch. (Lt. Col.) Gary Eno, Director (OHWG); Ch. (Lt. Col.) Mark Bell, Committee Chair (MIWG); Ch. (Lt. Col.) Lang Yang, Planning Committee (MIWG); Lt. Col. Christine Rinn (CDI), Planning Committee (MIWG); Ch. (Maj.) Bret Lortie, Registrar (ILWG).

**Banquet Speakers:** Col Edward D. Phelka, former GLR CAP Commander, now National Vice Commander; Ch. (Col.) James Hughes, former National Chief of Chaplains-Emeritus.

The Great Lakes Region Chaplain Corps Staff College (GLRCCRSC) was a monumental undertaking this year. It began in January of 2017 when Chaplain Steve Thomas and Chaplain Gary Eno attended the new national ChESS instructor school at Maxwell AFB. Steve and Gary decided then that this would be a great theme for the GLR Chaplain Corp College. As it turned out, this was a high water mark for Chaplain Corp training. The 43 in attendance was the highest number of Chaplain Corp attendees in many years.



GLR CCRSC day one: Chaplain (Lt. Col.) Wilson, USAF teaching on spiritual resiliency. 43 in attendance.

## Flexibility:

We originally planned two educational tracks but when the college started it became apparent that everyone wanted to attend the CHES school, and did so. There was also a leadership change mid-stream when Chaplain Mark Bell announced he would be unable to continue as the director, and he would not be able to attend the college due to unforeseen circumstances. Since the college was planned to be in Ohio, Chaplain Gary Eno stepped up and took on this role. One final act of unforeseen circumstances took place on the final evening at the conclusion of the banquet: a tornado. As the closing prayer was concluded the tornado sirens started to blare and the entire college was escorted to the basement bar. For the next hour or so we talked and watched the news. The tornado touched down approximately 5 miles from our location. No one was hurt, but it was a good reminder of Semper Vigilans.

## College Highlights:

For the first time in many years, the GLR Chaplain Corp College Committee reached out to the Air Force Reserve Chaplains stationed at Wright/Patterson AFB and asked them to be a part of the college. They accepted with great enthusiasm. Chaplain (Lt. Col.) Ted Wilson spoke to us on Spiritual Resiliency; and Chaplain (Capt.) Paul Snyder spoke to us on Moral Injury. It was great to have our Air Force Chaplain brothers working alongside of the CAP Chaplain Corp.



USAF Chaplain (Capt.) Snyder teaching on moral injury

The college also was able to tour the National Air Force Museum at W/P AFB on the final day of the college. It is a remarkable display of aviation history, and in its vast hangars are memories of all that the USAF has achieved in aviation/space in the past hundred years or so. New to the museum are the aviation milestones of the Civil Air Patrol, now part of the USAF total force. Representations of CAP aircraft with history



markers are dispersed throughout the museum. There is a large marker board explaining the history and role of CAP and its partnership with the Air Force.

The college resulted in 43 members of the GLR completing the ChESS requirements for the basic Mission Chaplain rating, minus one SQTR entry for a mission. Some have since completed this. When the new SQTR comes on line for Mission Chaplain, these will be uploaded and approved by Chaplains Steve Thomas and Gary Eno, who are both SET qualified ChESS instructors.

Part of the goal of training our GLR Chaplain Corp in this new program was to garner a larger pool of qualified personnel who could deploy to Northern Patriot exercise in order to train for mass casualty events alongside Air Force, Army, FEMA and other federal agencies who specialize in mass casualty care. Another part of the goal of this training is to have a deeper pool of qualified candidates to help with Chaplain care for the National Blue Beret program, also held in Wisconsin in the summer of each year.

CDI MSgt Les Hart, from Western, PA, gave a history of TAPS didactic, then played TAPS for us at the banquet. Les has also attended Northern Patriot and did an outstanding job as a Chaplain Support Specialist (CSS).

#### **Final Thoughts:**

The GLR College this year was a remarkable achievement of cooperation, flexibility, expertise, and service to others. Having the event in the USO building also helped foster a positive relationship and increased the esprit decor of working alongside others who are serving those who serve. The milieu was perfect. Col. Hughes summed up our college in his remarks as he spoke at the banquet: The GLR Chaplain Corp is becoming the benchmark of chaplaincy for CAP. (summarized, not quoted).

**Next Year:** Our 2018 GLRCCRSC will be in Michigan at Fort Carson on May 21-24.

The graduation banquet was held at the Papillion (Neb.) Latter Day Saint Stake Center.



Our National Chaplain (Col) Hughes speaking to the GLRCCRSC at WPAFB. National report.

## Questions About Protocol?

Look for the answers in a series of articles in The Transmitter by Chaplain (Lt. Col.) Debra Prosser

### **Protocol For Chaplains and CDIs, Spring 2015**

[http://www.capmembers.com/media/cms/Transmitter\\_Spring\\_2015\\_Issue\\_Final\\_F61A17CoD3E7E.pdf](http://www.capmembers.com/media/cms/Transmitter_Spring_2015_Issue_Final_F61A17CoD3E7E.pdf)

### **The Military Salute, Summer 2015**

[http://www.capmembers.com/media/cms/Transmitter\\_Summer\\_2015\\_B8929187E8ABA.pdf](http://www.capmembers.com/media/cms/Transmitter_Summer_2015_B8929187E8ABA.pdf)

### **CAP Weight Standards, Fall 2015**

[http://www.capmembers.com/media/cms/Fall\\_2015\\_Transmitter\\_5B5D9B5C4A548.pdf](http://www.capmembers.com/media/cms/Fall_2015_Transmitter_5B5D9B5C4A548.pdf)

### **Introductions, Winter 2016**

[http://www.capmembers.com/media/cms/Transmitter\\_Winter\\_2016\\_43909779E2D26.pdf](http://www.capmembers.com/media/cms/Transmitter_Winter_2016_43909779E2D26.pdf)

### **Flag Etiquette, Spring, 2016**

[http://capchaplain.com/downloads/Transmitter\\_Spring\\_2016.pdf](http://capchaplain.com/downloads/Transmitter_Spring_2016.pdf)

### **Receiving Awards, Summer 2016**

[http://capchaplain.com/downloads/Transmitter\\_Summer\\_2016.pdf](http://capchaplain.com/downloads/Transmitter_Summer_2016.pdf)

# PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT AWARDS



These members of the CAP Chaplain Service attained the following awards in the Senior Member Professional Development Program. We are proud of their accomplishments.



Level 2 – Benjamin O. Davis

Capt. Donald A. Briola II – NCWG  
1<sup>st</sup> Lt. Joel A. Drost – CTWG  
Chaplain (Capt.) Wayne A. Keast – NCWG  
Chaplain (Maj.) Daryl S. Jeffers – PAWG  
2<sup>nd</sup> Lt. Kyle L. Rossi – AZWG  
1<sup>st</sup> Lt. Kevin J. Wallace – MOWG



Level 3 – Grover Loening

1<sup>st</sup> Lt. Roger C. Ayscue – NCWG  
Maj. Alan N. Baumgartner – MIWG  
Maj. Andrew Franklin – TXWG  
1<sup>st</sup> Lt. Donald W. Fulton – CAWG  
Chaplain (Capt.) Jacob Hill – NYWG  
Maj. Robert Ray Hill – OHWG  
1<sup>st</sup> Lt. Ilse G. House – KYWG  
1<sup>st</sup> Lt. Michael T. Probus – ARWG  
Maj. Mark W. Schadt – AZWG  
Maj. Robin D. Sides – NCWG

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**CAPP 225 (for CDIs)**



Level 4 – Paul Garber

Lt. Col Timothy R. Brinegar – TNWG  
Maj. Patricia Schmidt – ARWG  
Maj. Jennifer L. Smith – MOWG



Level 5 – Gill Robb Wilson

Chaplain (Maj.) Eric S. Cooter – FLWG  
Lt. Col. Jaimie L. Henson – KYWG  
Maj. Matthew C. Hooper – NJWG  
Lt. Col. Robert E. Maxey – FLWG  
Maj. Paula C. Towry – VAWG

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## CHANUKAH – FROM A JEWISH PERSPECTIVE



Contributed by  
Lt. Col. Karen Semple, CAP  
CDI, Montana Wing

*Lt. Col. Semple is an Air Force veteran who has been in CAP 17 years. She is currently serving at the wing level as CDI, facilitating character development forums at a local squadron as well as Public Information Officer and Assistant Inspector General at the wing level.*

***“He selected priests without blemish, devoted to the Torah, and they purified the temple, removing to an unclean place the stones which defiled it...They took unhewn stones, as the Torah commands, and built a new altar on the model of the previous one. They rebuilt the temple and restored its interior, and consecrated the temple courts. They renewed the sacred vessels and the lamp-stand, and brought the altar of incense and the table into the temple. They burnt incense on the altar and lit the lamps on the lamp-stand to shine within the temple. When they put the Bread of the Presence on the table and hung the curtains, all their work was completed.***

***Then, early on the twenty-fifth day of the ninth month, the month of Kislev, in the year 164 BCE, sacrifice was offered as the Torah commands on the newly made altar of burnt-offering. On the anniversary of the day when the Gentiles had profaned it, on that very day, it was rededicated, with hymns of thanksgiving, to the music of harps and lutes and cymbals. All the people prostrated themselves, worshipping and praising Heaven that their cause had prospered.***

***They celebrated the rededication of the altar for eight days; there was great rejoicing...***

***Then Judah, his brothers, and the whole congregation of Israel decreed that the rededication of the altar should be observed with joy and gladness at the same season each year, for eight days, beginning on the 25th of Kislev.”***

***1 Maccabees 4:42-59***

Here is documented the historical origin of the minor Jewish feast days of Chanukah (ch is pronounced like in Bach). You may see it spelled a variety of ways: Chanuka, Channuka, Hanukkah, Hannuka, The original Hebrew name of the book in which it is described is lost. It's a

history covering the 40 years between the accession of Antiochus Epiphanes (175 BCE) to the death of Simeon the Hasmonean (135 BCE). This year, Chanukah begins after sunset on 12 December.

While an original Hebrew copy of the book of Maccabees is no longer available, there are expressions in the Greek version using biblical Hebrew language patterns. The style of the book is biblical Hebrew and is similar to the style of the historical books of Ezra and Nehemiah because it includes historical documents and other testimony as well as poetry. It wasn't translated back into Hebrew until the 11th century.

The Catholic Church included 1 and 2 Maccabees in its canon together with the rest of the Septuagint – ratified by the Council of Trent. After the Reformation, Protestants removed it from their Bible and relegated it to the Apocrypha, where it's now found between the Testaments in Catholic Bibles. It's not included in the Hebrew Bible; however, it's acknowledged by Jews as an historical book of great value.

So, on with the “why” do Jews still celebrate Chanukah? 1 Maccabees goes into great detail describing how Antiochus wanted to homogenize all of the people of his kingdom into one people with one culture, one faith and one style of worship – being that of Hellenistic Greece. The Jewish faith was outlawed and some Jews did leave the faith. 1 Maccabees details the atrocities committed against the Jews in the name of forcibly assimilating them because many Jews clung stubbornly to their faith in the God of their fathers. Following desecration of the Holy Temple in Jerusalem, (where it was defiled – set up for pagan worship using idols and unclean animals for sacrifice) one family elder, Mattathias, living in Modi'in, outside Jerusalem, decided enough was enough when the King's emissary came to his village to compel public worship to pagan gods. He led his sons to fight back against the tyranny and so began a war that lasted years.

Living in the wilderness in caves, the Jewish army grew, and while still significantly much smaller and much less well-equipped than the Syrian Greek army, under the leadership of Mattathias' son, Judah Maccabee, and with strong faith and trust in God for success, the Jews eventually pushed back the Syrian Greek army, recapturing the Temple two years later.

Chanukah is not a Jewish Christmas – it's about the celebrating the rededication of the Temple and maintaining one's own faith in the face of forced assimilation. It's about the miracles and wonders accomplished by God for our fathers in days of old when the few overcame the many. The festival of Chanukah is mostly a private one, often with friends, observed at home, “a family time” as one Chanukah song puts it. The main focus of celebration is the lighting of the Chanukah menorah in a window (to spread its light and message of religious freedom to the world), which has a place for eight lights with one additional light, elevated, as the servant light used to kindle the others. Sometimes each person lights their own menorah. Because of the candle lighting focus, many refer to Chanukah as the “Festival of Lights.” The first night one candle is lit, the next, two and so on through the entire eight nights. This is followed by prayers and song. “Maoz Tzur” is a very old and popular song that is a prayer of praise and thanksgiving. It's also known by an English name, Rock of Ages (not to be confused with the Christian hymn of the same name.) You can find different versions on YouTube if you're interested.



Some communities with larger Jewish populations erect a public menorah and have a nightly public menorah lighting ceremony each evening. The prayers and blessings for public lightings are the same as at home. The Chanukah lights are not to be used for any practical purpose; we are only to behold them and remember the miracles of deliverance with the restoration and rededication of the Temple in 164 BCE.

Because Chanukah often falls close to Christmas, some Jewish parents give their children gifts each night of Chanukah – so they won't feel left out with their Christian friends and neighbors. My family didn't do this; we followed tradition and gave our children "gelt" (the Yiddish word for money) each evening after candle lighting. One dollar coin on the first night, two on the second, until finally, they each received eight dollar coins on the eighth night. (\$36 each by the end of the eight nights – and that's just from the parents!) We have a tradition in our family that gelt is for giving to charity – the children each decided to whom or what cause they gave it. When still quite young, one daughter liked to personally give her gelt, bit by bit over the course of winter, to beggars at the post office or on street corners, while another put hers in the Salvation Army kettle and yet another used hers to plant trees in Israel. My son focused on giving to causes supporting homeless families. As their interests changed, many other worthy causes received our children's gelt over the years. Now we give gelt to their children.

Relighting the Temple lamp with sacred oil was a vital part of the Temple rededication and there is also a legend about finding only one cruse of purified oil for the lamp when the Temple was cleansed – that oil miraculously lasted eight nights while new oil was made. Consequently, foods made with oil are a featured part of Chanukah celebrations. Jews originating in Northern Europe feature potato pancakes fried in oil as a main dish while Jews from the Mediterranean region focus on fried donuts called "sufganiyot" (soof-gan-ee-oat'), often filled with jam.

Finally, we read Chanukah stories and play dreidel (dray'del), a game of spinning tops. The letters on the dreidels outside Israel:                      stand for "Nes Gadol Haya Sham" – "A Great Miracle Happened There" and determine play in the game – take none, take all the kitty or pot, take half or put in one in. Children put one in the pot each round and take turns spinning their dreidel, playing with nuts or candy while at adult Chanukah parties, serious cash gets put into the kitty – at the end the game, the collection of cash is donated to a pre-designated charity. The dreidel game ends when one person has all the candy, nuts, or cash.

Due to it occurring during the "holiday season" it's nice not to have a lot of CAP activities scheduled during Chanukah so we're able to celebrate. Over the years, we've had many Christians who were curious join us for a night of Chanukah here or there. Then, there were the kids' parties with many of their school and then college friends. Lots of fun with interfaith discussions and understanding.

In the New Testament, John 10:22-23, we read, "*And it was at Jerusalem the feast of the dedication, and it was winter. And Jesus walked in the temple on Solomon's porch.*" KJV

The word "chanukah" means dedication. I believe the feast mentioned being observed in wintry Jerusalem long ago was Chanukah.

May you be well.

# INTERFAITH CALENDAR

## October 2017 – January 2018

### October 2017

- Sept 30-Oct 1 Ashura – Islam\*
- 4-11 Sukkot – Jewish
- 7 Blessing of the Animals – Christian
- 11 Shemini Atzeret – Jewish
- 12-13 Simcat Torah – Jewish (in U.S.)
- 19-23 Diwali – Hindu, Jain, and Sikh\*
- 20 Birth of The B'ab – Baha'i
- 20 Installation of the Scriptures– Hindu\*  
Goverdhan Puja – Hindu\*
- 31 All Hallows Eve – Christian  
Reformation Day – Protestant Christian

### December 2017

- 1 Civil Air Patrol Birthday
- 1 Mawid an Nabi – Islam\*
- 2/3 CAP Sabbath/Sunday
- 3 Advent begins
- 8 Immaculate Conception – Catholic Christian  
Bohdi Day (Rohatsu) – Buddhist
- 12-20 Hanukkah – Jewish
- 12 Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe – Catholic
- 16-24 Posades Navidenas – Christian
- 21 Solstice/Yule
- 24 Christmas Eve – Christian
- 25 Christmas – Christian
- 26 Zarathosht Diso- Zoroastrian  
St Stephen's Day – Christian
- 28 Holy Innocents – Christian
- 31 Feast of the Holy Family – Catholic Christian
- 31 Watch Night – Christian

\* The calendar information here has been cross checked in various sources. Some dates shown here may vary due to differences in the lunar, Gregorian and Julian calendars. Jewish holidays generally begin the night before

### November 2017

- 1 All Saints' Day – Christian
- 2 All Souls' Day – Christian
- 4 Guru Nanak Dev Sahib Birthday – Sikh
- 11 Veterans Day
- 12 Birth of Baha'u'llah – Baha'i
- 21 Presentation of the Theotokos to the Temple – Eastern Orthodox Christian
- 23 Thanksgiving Day – Interfaith
- 24 Guru Tegh Bahadur Martydom – Sikh
- 26 Christ the King – Christian
- 26 Day of Covenant – Baha'i
- 28 Ascension of the 'Abdu'l Baha – Baha'i
- 28 Nativity Fast Begins – E. Orthodox Christian
- 30-Dec 1 Mawlid An Nabi – Islam\*
- 30 St Andrews Day – Christian

### January 2017

- 1 Mary, Mother of God – Catholic Christian  
Feast of St Basil/Holy Name of Jesus – Orthodox Christian  
Gantan-sai (New Year) – Shinto
- 5 Twelfth Night
- 6 Feast of The Epiphany – Christian  
Feast of the Theophany – E Orthodox Christian
- 7 Nativity of Christ – Eastern Orthodox Christian
- 8 Baptism of the Lord Jesus – Christian  
Feast of the Holy Family – Catholic Christian
- 13 Maghi – Sikh
- 14 Makar Sankranti and Pongal – Hindu\*
- 15 Martin Luther King Day
- 19 Timkat – Ethiopian Orthodox Christian\*
- 21 World Religion Day – Baha'i
- 22 Vasant Panchami – Hindu\*
- 18-25 Week of Prayer for Christian Unity
- 31 Tu B'shat – Jewish

## CAP SUNDAY/SABBATH

December 2 and 3, 2017

In 1972 the CAP National Board designated the first Sunday in December as CAP Sunday. Soon after that, the Saturday before was added to the celebration for those whose day of worship is Saturday. The event commemorates the fact that CAP was chartered by the U.S. Congress on December 1, 1941. CAP Sunday/Sabbath gives CAP chaplains an opportunity to acquaint their churches, synagogues, or mosques with their service as CAP chaplains. Sometimes units may choose to support their chaplain by all worshipping in the same place, and in uniform. Other units encourage members to attend the church, mosque or synagogue of their choice in uniform. This is an excellent opportunity to take the message of aerospace to non-CAP members. For members of the Chaplain Corps, it is also an excellent opening for telling their religious bodies about the importance of character development in CAP.”

*-- CAPP 221A 10 Jun 2016, p 19*

## SOME USEFUL ITEMS FOR THE CHAPLAIN CORPS PERSONNEL "TOOL BOX"



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

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

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

The Chaplain Corps National HQ Site!  
Resources include Flight Time and archived CD lessons,  
past Transmitter issues, and other links  
<https://capchaplain.com/>

Chaplain Corps Calendar  
<https://capchaplain.com/calendar/>

Chaplain Corps Library Database  
<https://capchaplain.com/chaplain-corps-library>

Chaplain Corps Shared Folder on Google Drive  
Contains many valuable and up-to-date resources.  
<https://drive.google.com/drive/u/1/#shared-with-me>

Chaplain Corps Flickr Picture Sharing  
<https://www.flickr.com/photos/capchaplains/>

Spiritual Resiliency Database  
<https://capchaplain.com/resiliency/>

CAPP 221 Series Update June 2016  
[https://www.capmembers.com/forms\\_publications\\_regulations/pamphlets-1702/](https://www.capmembers.com/forms_publications_regulations/pamphlets-1702/)

CAPP 225 Update February 2016  
[https://www.capmembers.com/media/cms/P225\\_3E1B2C993E723.pdf](https://www.capmembers.com/media/cms/P225_3E1B2C993E723.pdf)

Revised CAPR 265-1 The Civil Air Patrol Chaplain Corps 5 April 2015  
[http://www.capmembers.com/media/cms/R265\\_001\\_538BD6B239386.pdf](http://www.capmembers.com/media/cms/R265_001_538BD6B239386.pdf)

Harvard Divinity School Multifaith Calendar  
Listing and commentary on key multifaith religious holidays  
<https://hds.harvard.edu/life-at-hds/religious-and-spiritual-life/multifaith-calendar>

Armed Forces Chaplain Board (AFCB) List of Ecclesiastical Endorsers  
List of ecclesiastical endorsers meeting requirement for chaplain appointment under CAPR 265-1 § B.6.b  
<http://www.people.mil/Inside-M-RA/Military-Personnel-Policy/How-we-support/AFCB/Endorsements/>

U.S. Department of Education Database of Accredited Postsecondary Institutions and Programs  
A starting point in evaluating programs and credentials  
<http://www.chea.org/search/search.asp> or <http://ope.ed.gov/accreditation/Search.aspx>