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SQUADRON 36 BANQUET A SUCCESS

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Maj Greg Dessel enjoys the commander's speech.

Good food, speeches, awards, and fun were the ingredients that made for a successful banquet. Members and guests of Squadron 36 gathered at the Hillside Evangelical Free Church on Tuesday, February 28 to celebrate a year of achievements and to look forward to a new year.

Helping to make the evening special was the presence of family and friends who joined with the cadets and seniors to celebrate. Among the special guests were Maj Greg Dessel (Representing Group 2), Col Ted Chavez, Capt Kevin McDowell (Sq 80 Commander), and Mr. Bob Kalec of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War.

The evening opened with the presentation of the colors by the Squadron 36 color guard, followed with an invocation delivered by Squadron 36's Chaplain David Prado.

2d Lt Joanna Lee served as the Master of Ceremonies and did an excellent job. Her wry humor kept the audience laughing with her. Congratulations on a job well done!

Maj Michael Montgomery delivered the State of the Squadron address. Maj Montgomery congratulated the cadets and seniors on a great year and challenged them to make 2006 and even better year.

The two top squadron awards, Cadet of the Year and Senior

Member of the Year were awarded to Cadet Chenny Zhang and Maj Montgomery, respectively.

In addition to the official awards presented that evening (see the full listing of awards on page 2), several fun awards were also presented. Fun awards ranged from Cadet Bergen's "Cadet Matchmaker Award" to Cadet Needham's "Never Surrender the Aircraft Award". Check the squadron website for pictures of all the awards and recipients.

Our CAP families showed off their culinary talents with a wide variety of tasty entrees and salads. The buffet table groaned under the load of delicious dishes that were enjoyed by one and all.



2d Lt Joanna Lee heads up the festivities.



No one walked away hungry!

CONGRATULATIONS!



Maj Montgomery receives the Senior Member of the Year award.



Cadet Zhang receives the Cadet of the Year award.

SQUADRON 36 CONGRATULATES THE FOLLOWING AWARD WINNERS!

Commanders Commendation Award



- Lt Col James H. Sena
- Maj Johanna Montgomery
- Chaplain (Capt.) David Prado

- Capt Michael Hodges
- 1st Lt Kenneth Palmer
- 1st Lt Jan Orvick

Gill Robb Wilson Award (Level V)



- Maj Michael S. Montgomery, Jr.

Membership Award (Level I)



- SM Stuart A. Carson
- SM Mark S. Guerrero

- SM Jacoba M. Sena

Search "Find" Award (Non-distress)



- Cadet Christopher Palmer

- Cadet Tania M. Samsonoff

Senior Member of the Year (1 Mar 05 - 28 Feb 06)

- Maj Michael S. Montgomery, Jr.

Cadet of the Year (1 Mar 05 - 28 Feb 06)

- Cadet Chenny Zhang

NCO's "Exceed the Challenge" Award

- Cadet Kenneth R. Orvick

Airman's "Exceed the Challenge" Award

- Cadet Matthew Herbert

Most Improved Cadet

- Cadet Michael Campos

Outstanding Attendance Award (1 Mar 05 - 28 Feb 06)

- Cadet Chenny Zhang

Montgomery Flyer Outstanding Contributor Award

- Cadet Christopher Palmer
- Cadet David Teague

HERITAGE FLIGHT

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Public Affairs Officer



On Sunday, March 5, 2006 history took to the skies over Arizona during the Air Combat Command Heritage Conference at Davis-Monthan Air Force Base.

Among the planes bringing history to life were a World War II-era P-47 Thunderbolt, an F-22A Raptor, a TF-51 Mustang, an F-4 Phantom, and A-10 Thunderbolt.

Not everything went smoothly at the show. An F-86 Sabre participating in the Air Combat Command Heritage Flight Conference at Davis-

Monthan Air Force Base suffered a landing gear failure.

The Heritage flight program showcases active U.S. Air Force aircraft such as the F-22 Raptor, F-15 Eagle, F-16 Viper, and A-10 Warthog flying in close formation with classic warbirds now in civilian hands such as the P-51 Mustang and F-86 Sabre Jet. The conference at Davis-Monthan allows the pilots to practice flying such dissimilar aircraft in close formation.



THREE-BILLION MILE JOURNEY TO PLUTO

Julie Andrews
Lockheed Martin Corporation

From one extreme to another, everything about the Atlas V launch of NASA’s New Horizons spacecraft and its mission to Pluto had a “gee whiz” quality. It took a whopping two-and-a half million pounds of thrust to lift the spacecraft and place it on its high-velocity path to the farthest planet. On the other end of the size spectrum, a diminutive Lockheed Martin-built radioisotope thermoelectric generator (RTG) will provide the spacecraft’s power on the cruise to the planet as well as once it gets to Pluto, some three billion miles away, far beyond any available solar power.

The boost on the front end of a three-billion-mile journey require a lot of velocity, and Atlas V delivered. The AV010 is the most powerful Atlas ever built. At spacecraft separation, the Pluto New Horizons was traveling at a velocity of 36,325 miles per hour, a calculated fastest-ever escape for an object leaving Earth. Many media reports tried, without much success, to use analogies to help the folks at home get their minds wrapped around such an unimaginable speed. “Faster than a speeding bullet” was grossly inadequate in describing the spacecraft that roared off toward the out solar system at over 10 miles per second. High velocity rifle bullets travel about 2,000 to 3,000 feet per second. New Horizons is traveling 52,800 feet per second.

The New Horizons is expected to reach Pluto by 2015.

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SCHEDULE

NOTE: Unless otherwise indicated, all meetings and activities will begin and end at Squadron 36's regular meeting location.

NOTE: ITEMS IN RED FACTOR INTO CADETS' ATTENDANCE RECORDS.

NOTE: ITEMS IN BLUE ARE FOR SENIOR MEMBERS ONLY.



The "Who's Who" of the USAF and CAP are here, along with their biographies!

<http://sq36.cawg.cap.gov/keyfigures.html>



Squadron 36 congratulates the following members for accomplishments since our last newsletter!



Cadet David Teague
(C/SSgt)



Cadet Eric Bergen
(C/Amn)

March 2006

March 7, 2006:

First half: Drill, both flights. Second half: Flight time for both flights. Service Uniform or CAP equivalent.

March 14, 2006:

First half: AE - "Model Airplanes" for both flights. Second half: "ES" Class for both flights. Service Uniform or CAP equivalent.

March 18, 2006:

Activity: "Flight Simulator". Wear civilian clothes. **BRING YOUR OWN FOOD!** Route questions about time and any possible changes through your **CHAIN OF COMMAND.**

March 21, 2006:

First half: "CPFT" Both Flights. Second half: "CAP Opportunities" Class for Alpha Flight, AE "Flight Simulator" for Bravo Flight. Workout attire AND BDU or CAP equivalent for second half. **NO CPFT IN BDUs!**

March 28, 2006:

First half: Moral Leadership, both flights. Second half: "Test" Class and "Discipline" Class for Alpha and Bravo Flights, respectively. BDU or CAP equivalent.

April 2006

April 4, 2006:

First half: Alpha Flt: Stationary Drill Movements, Bravo Flt: Counter March/Drill Critique. Second half: Alpha Flt: CAP Missions & Chain of Command, Bravo Flt: Situational leadership. Service Uniform or CAP equivalent.

April 6, 2006:

SENIOR MEMBER STAFF MEETING: 7:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. Civilian clothes.

April 11, 2006:

First half: AE - "Model Airplanes" for both flights. Second half: 'SQTR with Sq. 80" for both flights. Service Uniform or CAP equivalent.

April 11, 2006

SQUADRON INSPECTION: All senior staff officers should plan to attend. Contact the commander if any senior staff officer will not attend. Be prepared to discuss your staff responsibilities with visiting inspectors.

April 18, 2006:

First half: Cardio, both flights. Second half: Alpha Flt: Study Techniques, Bravo Flt: "Flight Simulator". Workout attire AND BDU or CAP equivalent for second half. **NO CPFT IN BDUs!**

April 25, 2006

First half: Moral Leadership, both flights. Second half: Flight time for both flights. BDU or CAP equivalent.

April 29, 2006

SQUADRON SPRING "G.I." PARTY: 8:30 a.m. – Done. Wear "grubbies" and be ready to help clean up the squadron. Party with movies and pizza following. **NOTE: CADET ATTENDANCE WILL BE RECORDED FOR THIS SQUADRON ACTIVITY, PER SQUADRON POLICY.**

May 2006

May 2, 2006

First half: Alpha Flt: Inspection/Drill, Bravo Flt: Inspection/Drill Critique. Second half: Alpha Flight: Different insignias & John F. Curry, Bravo Flight: Flight Time. Service Uniform or CAP equivalent.

May 4, 2006:

SENIOR MEMBER STAFF MEETING: 7:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. Civilian clothes.

May 9, 2006

First half: AE - "Model Airplanes" for both flights. Second half: Alpha Flight: Rifle handling, Bravo Flight: Compass Reading Exercise Service Uniform or CAP equivalent.

May 16, 2006

First half: Muscle failure, both flight. Second half: Alpha Flt: Aerospace 1.1, Bravo Flt: "Flight Simulator". Workout attire AND BDU or CAP equivalent for second half. **NO CPFT IN BDUs!**

May 23, 2006

First half: "Moral Leadership" both flights. Second half: Alpha Flt: Flight Time, Bravo Flight: Impromptu class. . BDU or CAP equivalent.

May 30, 2006

Fifth Tuesday Event. TBD

PRESIDENTIAL VOLUNTEER SERVICE AWARD AVAILABLE FOR CAP

By Major Mike "Monty" Montgomery
Commander

The John J. Montgomery Memorial Cadet Squadron has teamed with the White House to become a Certifying Organization for the President's Volunteer Service Award.

Established in 2003, the Award was created by President George W. Bush to give Presidential recognition to individuals, families and groups who meet established requirements for volunteer service.

The President's Volunteer Service Award program is intended to thank and honor Americans who, by their demonstrated commitment and example, inspire others to engage in volunteer service.

The Award is presented in three levels: bronze, silver, and gold and is available to anyone who wishes to dedicate their personal time to volunteer service to their community.



There is also a Lifetime Achievement award for those who have performed over two years (4000 hours) of volunteer service, and it is The President's Call to Service Award.

Squadron 36 is one of the first squadrons in Group 2 to join with thousands of other organizations to deliver the President's Volunteer Service Award and honor the volunteers who strengthen our Nation. For more information on the President's Volunteer Service Award visit www.PresidentialServiceAwards.gov.



are many things that members do in CAP that can help them earn this award. Certain positions within the cadet or senior structure that oversee others is volunteerism (developing and helping others.) Other possibilities are working at air shows as a Squadron 36 member, staffing cadet programs events, SAR Missions, helping with the Squadron's Flight Simulator activities, and other activities where you might be overseeing somebody or providing help to others in an official CAP capacity.

For those that like to help their community, for those that need certified community service for their High School graduation requirements, for those that want to make that college application look more impressive, for those that like beefier resumes and for those who supervise others and wish to see their people credited for what they do, consider this opportunity.

Visit www.presidentialserviceawards.gov for more information. If you wish to participate, you must keep track of your qualifying activities. You can do this on the website by creating a profile as a Squadron 36 participant.

To create a profile follow the instructions below.

Step 1. Go to <https://www.presidentialserviceawards.gov/tgact/ros/dspROSlogin.cfm>

Step 2. Follow the directions online, page by page.

Step 3. When asked for your certifying organization, [Sq36 members](#) use code: [KZB-16962](#)

Once you have created a profile, you can go online and use your log-in and password to keep track of what you do. Your certifying organization (which is the John J. Montgomery Memorial Cadet Squadron) can audit your record and oversee when you hit certain levels of volunteerism.

COMING IN APRIL

**2006 SAN FRANCISCO BAY
GROUP 2 BANQUET**

WHEN: SATURDAY APRIL 22

TIME: 6:30 PM

**WHERE: VILLAGES GOLF AND
COUNTRY CLUB
5000 CRIBARI LN
SAN JOSE**

**COST: \$35 FOR ADULTS
\$25 FOR YOUTH
(\$40 AT THE DOOR)**

GUEST SPEAKER:

DR. JANICE VOSS

**DR. JANICE VOSS IS A
VETERAN ASTRONAUT OF FIVE
SPACE FLIGHT AND IS
CURRENTLY THE SCIENCE
DIRECTOR FOR THE KEPLER
SPACECRAFT AT NASA AMES
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MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO:

SAN FRANCISCO BAY GROUP 2

**THIS EVENT IS OPEN TO
CADETS AND PARENTS**

FIGHTING THE UNIFORM BLUES

Seniors, do you occasionally feel under/over-dressed for the occasion when you arrive at a squadron meeting?

To give you a hand in avoiding that source of stress, here is a quick guideline on the what and when of uniform wear.

Senior Members who interact directly with the cadet program must be in a CAP uniform. For the sake of uniformity, Sq36 has a set plan on making sure that we are "uniform in uniform."

1st & 2nd Tuesdays of the month: AF-style service uniform (light blue shirt, dark blue trousers/pants) OR CAP-aviator uniform

3rd & 4th Tuesdays of the month: AF-style BDU (camouflage) attire OR CAP Blue BDU style uniform. EXCEPTION: Once per month, in place of either version of the BDU, all senior members may wear either the USAF-Sage Green flight suit with all appropriate CAP accoutrements or the CAP-Blue flight suit with all appropriate CAP accoutrements.

For more information:

CAP Uniform Regs – CAPM 39-1 (BIG download...4.5 MBs): http://level2.cap.gov/documents/u_082203102943.pdf

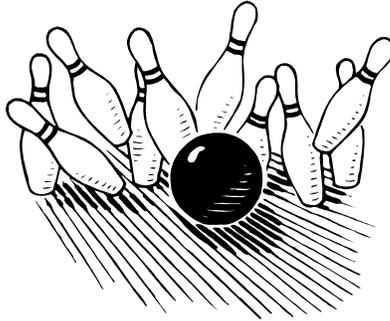
CAPM 39-1 Supplement: Wear of the American Flag Patch: http://level2.cap.gov/documents/2005_11_wear_of_American_flag.pdf

CAPM 39-1 Supplement: Wear of rank on Blue BDU headgear ONLY: http://level2.cap.gov/documents/2005_08_dark_blue_uniform.pdf

Squadron 36-specific uniform stuff (e.g., ball cap, Squadron Patch, etc.): http://sq36.cawg.cap.gov/uniform_supp.pdf

BOWLING NIGHT FOR SQ 36

C/A1C Matthew Herbert
Cadet Public Affairs Officer



On January 31, Squadron 36 enjoyed its Fifth Tuesday special event at Oakridge Lanes for an evening of bowling. The cadets and seniors had fun testing their skills out on the bowling lanes. There were teams for the staff, senior members, cadets. Squadron 10 from Palo Alto joined Squadron 36 for the event.

Everyone had smiles on their faces even with the fierce competition. Not only was did they enjoy bowling, many of those attending munched on the snack bar food and joined in an awesome pool table competition. The tension in the air could be cut with a knife! In the end, everyone had fun playing the games. Everyone was a winner that night. Everyone had fun, which was the whole point of the evening.

Final results: The seniors bested the cadets in bowling. Better luck next time cadets!



UPCOMING CALIFORNIA WING EVENT – FOR INTERESTED CADETS AND SENIORS

7TH ANNUAL "VERTICAL CHALLENGE" AIRSHOW

SAN CARLOS AIRPORT (SQL)

WHEN: JUNE 17, 2006 (0700 – 1700)

COST: \$10.00

FORM 17 OR 31 REQUIRED: YES

CONTACT: LT MICHAEL PAVIS (m_pavis@comcast.net)

The "Vertical Challenge" Helicopter Air Show is a wonderful event that allows visitors to see first hand helicopter operations. The show is devoted to educating the public of how helicopters affect our daily lives from traffic and news reports to its unique life saving ability, to the National Defense of our Country.

Reporting time & location: 0700, report to Squadron 192 HQ (see: sq192.cawg.cap.gov/Contact.htm for directions)

Applications: Include signed CAWGF31 and check for \$10 payable to "Squadron 192, Civil Air Patrol".

Cadet Commander Applications: Must be received no later than 2 Mar. Applications for Cadet Commander must also include:

A single page cover letter indicating why you are qualified for this position . The cover letter should explain your role in past activities that helped you prepare for this position, and any other leadership or personality traits that make you well suited to the job.

Cadet Staff Applications: Must be postmarked no later than 10 May .

Cadet & Senior Member Applications: Must be postmarked no later than 24 May .

Address Applications To:

West Bay Composite Squadron 192

P.O. Box 862

Belmont , CA 94002

A flyer about the event is available at: <http://www.cawg.cap.gov/calendar/0606.html#vc>

CAN OLD DOGS LEARN NEW TRICKS?

By Major Mike "Monty" Montgomery
Commander



Folks that learn a bit of my personal history usually discover that I was raised for more than half my youth by my paternal Grandparents. Many of the teachings I gained from them centered on concepts that my parents never openly discussed. One of the lessons I learned was an ironic statement, considering their age in comparison to my friends' guardians who were quite a bit younger than my Grandparents:

Old Dogs CAN Learn New Tricks

"Old Dogs" wasn't necessarily a reference to age...rather, the term - admittedly politically incorrect - was a description of folks who refused to change or update their ways of thinking and responding when presented with new information. We've all seen cases where seniors and cadets are presented with something new and may make the off-handed comment of "I've done it this way for so long that I don't care about changing...if it wasn't broken, it doesn't need fixing!" Perhaps you may have even heard a cadet or senior member state that "I'm a cadet officer or I'm 65 years old and I've reached a point where I don't have to change."

Statements like that aren't the best thing to hold unto when the needs of the group - CAP - are concerned.

Psychologists confirm that people of any age have the ability to make conscious choices about what they will do and what they will not do, when considering how we respond to things. While it's a safe assumption that younger folks are better suited to "flex" with new information or changes than their older counterparts, that does not have to be an excuse to allow indifference to halt our ability to do things.

Recently, I've had the honor of teaching Leadership Chapter 1 material to younger cadets at a neighboring CAP squadron. One of the Chapter 1 lessons I teach is the fundamentals associated with "self discipline" and CAP's view that such an attribute derives from the need to recognize when something needs to be done without being asked and further, to try and attempt an understanding of why something needs to be done, whether we like it or not. Does this sound inherently military-like or rather, do you assume that this applies to all facets of life? If you chose the latter, you'd be right on target for self-improvement when the times come where you have to watch your speeding, complete something for your boss without being asked, or make a change in how you do something regardless of your ego or status.

During 2005, our unit's seniors and cadets received new info, new methods with which to implement that info, and the opportunity to merge into a bigger picture than what was the status quo. In looking back, did you attempt to see the importance of changes or did you opt to pass the buck by saying, "I'm not doing it that way, we always did it another way." In looking back, did you take accountability for doing things before being asked or did you opt to use the "out of sight, out of mind" resolve when considering phoning your subordinates, turning in reports, or attending an event that wasn't mandatory?

My Grandmother at the age of 67 rode in a 150-mile bike race for a multiple sclerosis charity with me in the late 1980s. She didn't finish 150 miles...she "only" (!?!?) completed 83 miles of the ride. Years later, I asked her why she did that when most 67-year olds choose a different lifestyle as a result of health issues or other reasons. Her reply? "I have the same health issues, in general, as any other 67-year old. So what? I wanted to do something good and I'm still a 'player' in this game of life...because this 'ole gal can still do something new!"

What an inspiration she is...and at 82 years of age this year, this gal (a young reference she chooses to go by) is still proving that "old dogs CAN learn new tricks" by still being as physically active as she can and flexing with the times in many ways of her thinking and acting.

If she can do it at 82, then I'm betting that any of us younger than that can eat a bit of "crow" and keep plugging away in a similar fashion!



THINKING CAP

Well... last month's prize went unclaimed... let's see if we can do better this month.

Okay all you cadets...(and families too!)

Get your thinking caps on and answer these questions...

1. Where is the New Horizons headed?
2. What are three of the aircraft that appeared at the Air Combat Command Heritage Conference?
3. Which two cadets earned SAR awards?
4. What Presidential award can seniors and cadets earn?

If you know the answers, email them to:

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A winner will be selected from the correct entries... and yes, there will be a prize!

Be sure to include your name with your entry.

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For Parents and Families