

# Catch The Spirit!

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## From The Flight Deck

### Our Present—Our Future!

Greetings to all fellow members in Group II.

As I have had opportunity this past month to attend several Cadet Awards Activities, I am reminded what a great organization this is. Each of us has the opportunity to share our experiences and talents with an outstanding group of young people. All we read in the newspapers are the stories of how bad this generation is. Some of it is, but I can tell you from first-hand experience that this generation is alive and well and in good hands, if it is represented by emerging leaders from our Cadet Corps.

Parents are to be commended for their commitment of time and money as they support their young adults in a life changing experience such as our Cadets receive. Each unit has dedicated seniors who willingly give of their free time to help guide this vital program.

Please keep up the good work as you never know what impact you are having on these lives that are entrusted to us. Please accept our thanks and appreciation for a job well done.

*Maj. Ed McMillian, Commander Group II*

Below—Group 11 Cadets join together to march in the Veteran's Day Parade in Prescott.



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## Mark Your Calendars!

- ⇒ May 1-2—AZ Wing Conference at ERAU Prescott
- ⇒ May 22-23—SLS & CLS at ERAU, Prescott
- ⇒ June 14—Level/CPPT, Sq. 209, Payson
- ⇒ June 26-27—Unit Commander's Course (location TBA)
- ⇒ Aug. 7—Level 1/CPPT, Sq. 206, Prescott

*AZ Wing's 49th Conference!*

**WOW!** It is almost here and what an exciting 49th conference it will be. The seminars/classes are geared to enhance one's knowledge and stimulate one's thinking. Attendees will leave the conference enthused and have a direction for what they need to do in order to progress up CAP's professional ladder. The Wing staffers are busily developing and fine-honing their presentations to not only help new members, but to also be valuable to seasoned CAP members. You will leave with a better understanding of CAP and the direction that our AZ Wing is taking as an auxiliary of the USAF.

See page 2 for more conference information and get your registration in! This is your conference, join in! You'll be glad you did!



Over Lake Havasu

# Catch The Spirit! AZ Wing Conference

**2004 Conference!** Group II is proud to be hosting the 2004 AZ Wing Conference at Embry- Riddle University in Prescott. The Theme this year is "Back to Basics." There are many new CAP procedures and new information that will be disseminated and lots of materials and information to take back. Be sure to mark your calendars for **May 1 & 2.** You really don't want to miss this!

**New this year at conference:** The AZ Wing is offering a gift this year to the first **65** CAP members who get their registration/checks to Group II Finance Officer, Don Hocker. Seminars will be held both in the morning and in the afternoon. Lunch is on your own. This is an exciting time for 1st Timers and seasoned members too. Lt Col Robert Efros, Director, Information Services, AZWG, will be conducting a hands-on computer training to help one navigate the web-site maze. The AZ Wing is pleased to offer a special rate this year to cadets of \$35 for both the Conference and the Banquet.

There is still time to register, just go to the Wing web-site for the registration form. We have a block of rooms under CAP reserved at the Best Western Prescottonian in Prescott. You may reach them at (928) 776-1666, they are located 1/2 block West of Hwy 89 on Gurley, next door to the Country Kitchen Restaurant.

The **General Assembly** will be held at the Davis Learning Center (DLC) at 0830 on Saturday, May 1st. Continental Breakfast will be available by 0800 by the DLC, see Sq. Highlights.

Wing Chaplain Robert Rountree has scheduled a session for **Chaplains and Moral Leadership**, but all are welcome. Call Chaplain Rountree at 480-898-0971 for further information.

**Seminars**, some of the seminars being offered are: Personnel; Public Affairs; Standard Eval; OPS; Emergency Services; Flight Operations; Homeland Security; Operations & Admin; Communications; Logistics; Professional Development; Hands-on Computer Training; Understanding the Cadet Program and Aerospace Education. New this year is the Critical Incident Stress Management class. There will be an exhibit hall in Bldg. 30, drop in and see The History of the AZ Wing from early 1944 to present; the AE display and while there browse through the CAP Mart display items.

**Airport transportation** from the Prescott Airport will be provided. Be sure to indicate your ETA on the registration form or call Lt Richard Urban, Squadron 206, at 928-636-7483.



**Registration/check-in** is scheduled from 1200 until 1700 pm on Friday, April 30th and from 0700 until 1200 on Saturday, May 1st at Bldg. 30, across from the Cafeteria's Lower Hangar at Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University.

**Hospitality** will be held on Friday evening, April 30th from 1800 to 1930 pm at the Hampton Inn's Lobby on Hwy 69 in Prescott. Dinner on your own. There are some great eating places in the Prescott area and this is a good time to meet and get acquainted with others from around AZ.

**Banquet** will be held at Hotel St Michael at 1800 on Saturday, May 1st. Afterwards, "dance 'til you drop" or just enjoy easy listening to local musicians from Prescott, Max Borjon and Cal McCarthy,.

## Squadron Highlights!

Squadron 205 of Group 11 is proud of their Cadet, Staff Sergeant Max Weaver. Max is a freshman at Sedona Red Rock High School where he wrote and presented his speech, "Defending America". Cadet Weaver received his squadron's "Most Cadet Pride" award. The AZ Wing welcomes Cadet Weaver, who will present his speech to the General Assembly on Saturday morning, May 1st. To quote from his speech, "Excellence implies that you give everything you do 100 percent effort, because freedom demands no less" and "What cause better than freedom is there to give an all out effort for?"



Squadron 206 Cadets.

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