

25th Anniversary of CAP in Alaska



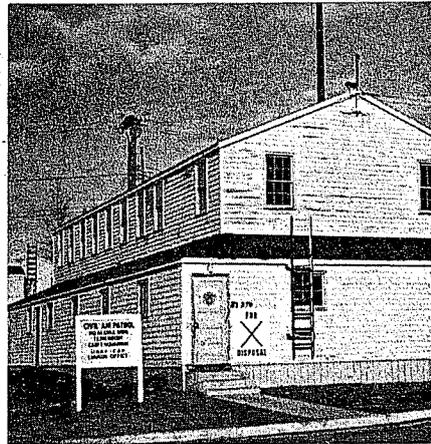
COL. JACK CARR
1st CAP Commander in Alaska



COL. HARRY STIVER
2nd CAP Commander in Alaska



First CAP Hq. Building
MERRILL FIELD



Second CAP Hq. Building
ELMENDORF AFB



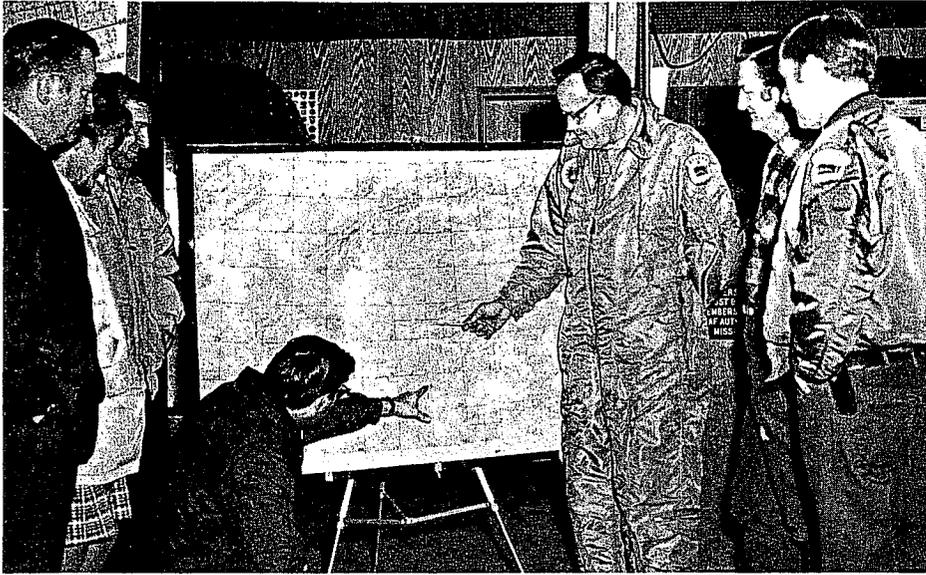
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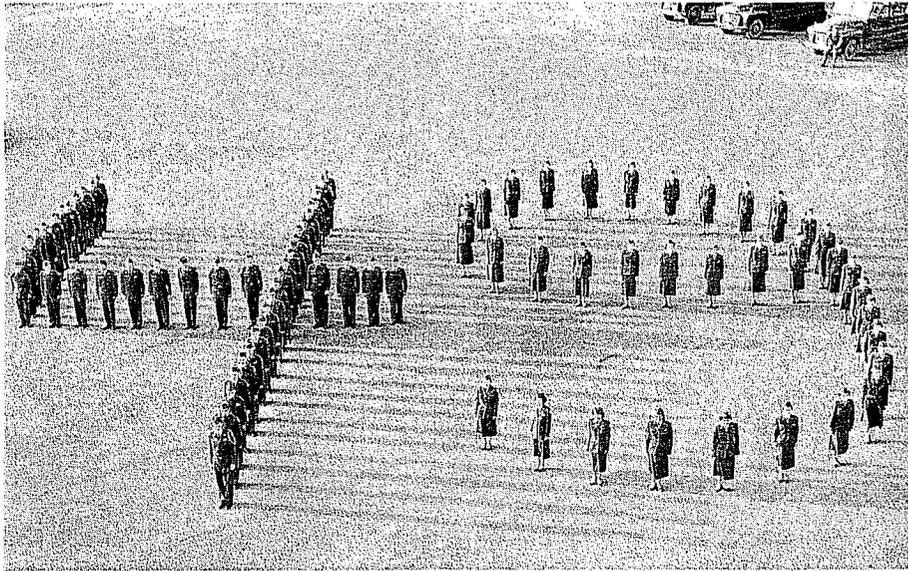
COL. JAMES CARTER
3rd CAP Commander in Alaska



COL. J. V. "BUD" BROWN
4th CAP Commander in Alaska



SEARCH and
RESCUE



CADET
PROGRAM



AEROSPACE



CIVIL AIR PATROL
ALASKA WING
BOX 1836
ANCHORAGE, ALASKA



OFFICE OF THE COMMANDER

TO THE GOVERNOR OF ALASKA AND MEMBERS OF THE NINTH ALASKA STATE LEGISLATURE

This marks the 25th Anniversary of Civil Air Patrol in Alaska, and this all volunteer organization of dedicated people has played an important role in the development of the state. During Civil Air Patrol's Twenty Five Years, Alaska was a Territory and then became a State and in that time span, CAP performed many vital services.

The dependence of undeveloped Alaska on Air Transportation in some of the most rugged country in the world led to many airborne people getting into emergency situations that were responded to by Civil Air Patrol. In these search & rescue reports CAP members have spent countless hours at great risk to set a record of saves unparalleled anywhere in the annals of aviation.

During these Twenty Five Years CAP members devoted many hours to the CAP Cadet program, and have been rewarded by seeing many girls and boys develop from this training into sturdy Alaskan Citizens now performing vital roles in the development of the state.

Through the efforts of CAP members with the help of CAP National Headquarters a program of Aerospace Education is now taught in many school systems throughout the state.

During the times of emergency CAP has responded to the call of the State in such disasters as the 1964 earthquake and the Fairbanks Flood acting as couriers for the instant transportation of vitally needed food and medical supplies, and in transporting victims of these disasters to areas of safety and to first aid for life saving services.

Many of the CAP members have retired in these Twenty Five Years, but have well trained those who took up where they left off. Right now the Yukon Group in Fairbanks and the Polaris Group in Anchorage are preparing for the instant future which is upon us with the building of the pipe line. Basic expense for Aircraft and Maintenance are covered by State and Air Force funding, but the day to day costs for CAP, which is a volunteer organization, such as costs for facilities, communications, emergency equipment, and a plethora of other materials must come from the support of the people of the state, whose citizens benefit most from the volunteer services of CAP.

These groups are offering raffles to the general public from donations of the spirited business communities to support those instant needs thrust upon CAP by Alaska's becoming one of the major suppliers of energy to the nation.

I wish to thank those CAP members of the past and present who have unselfishly given of their time, effort and money for the ideals of CAP, and to thank the Citizens of Alaska who have supported them in this effort.

This issue is dedicated to the past and to the present and will arouse nostalgia in the memory of many. CAP of Alaska is looking forward to serving even in a greater capacity as the Sleeping Giant of the North unleashes its boundless energy.

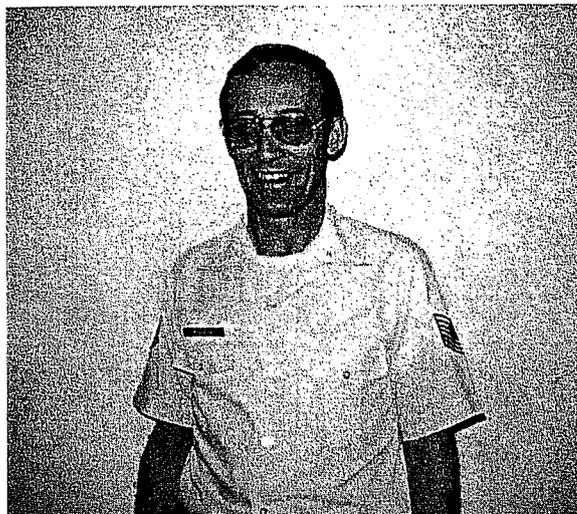
Col. J. Vic Brown
Commander — Alaska Wing
Civil Air Patrol

LIAISON OFFICE

The Civil Air Patrol is a volunteer, non-profit civilian auxiliary of the United States Air Force, whose organizational structure is similar to that of the Air Force. CAP provides the Air Force invaluable services in search and rescue missions, public education on aerospace matters, and provides the United States with future aerospace leaders through the Cadet Program. As a result, The USAF considers CAP one of the best buys the Air Force ever made from a cost effectiveness point of view. To assure CAP the necessary support and assistance to accomplish its mission, the Air Force considers it essential to have liaison offices manned by active Air Force advisory personnel. Lt. Col. Norman C. Bishop and Msgr. Thomas C. Parker have been assigned to the Alaska Wing Liaison Office to assume this responsibility. The following is a summary of Air Force support provided the Alaska Wing through the Wing Liaison Office during CY 1973:

1. Over \$240,000 of DOD property transferred to Alaska Wing, CAP, consisting of:

- a. \$127,000 worth of aircraft components
- b. Aircraft engines.
- c. Two aircraft for search & rescue operations consisting of 1 Beaver U6A and 1 Cessna T-41. (Cost of aircraft not included in foregoing figures.)
- d. Office and aircraft maintenance equipment, communications equipment, clothing, survival gear, power units and other miscellaneous equipment secured from Redistribution and Marketing activities throughout Alaska.
- e. Repair and use of an Air Force building on Elmendorf AFB for use as a Wing Headquarters which houses all sections of the Wing.
- f. Airlift for inspection visits, distinguished visitors (Brigadier General Westberg, CAP National Commander & Staff) conference and special meetings within Alaska and the Lower 48.
- g. Two week Aerospace Education Workshop at Elmendorf AFB with 15 educators attending.

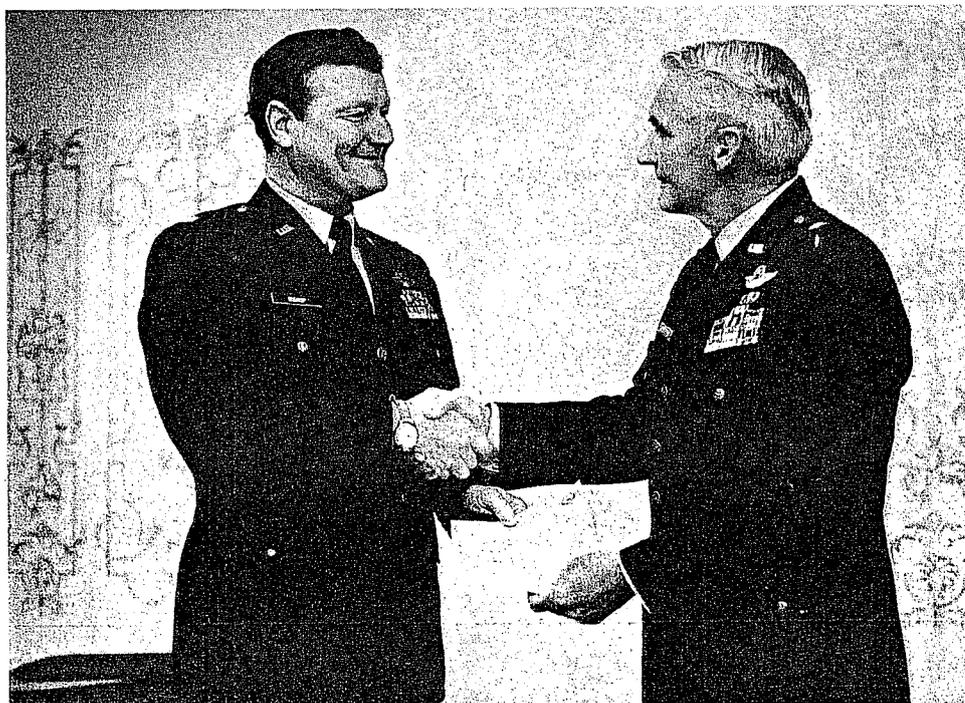


M/Sgt. Tom C. Parker

- h. Airlift support to Pacific Region Conference in Reno, Nevada in August 1973.
- i. \$16,330.55 paid by the Air Force for fuel and oil consumed during search and rescue missions.

The Civil Air Patrol continues to be the largest rescue and recovery organization in America, having flown 13,000 Sorties in SAR operations, with over 31,000 active members, several thousand communications stations and 7000 light aircraft available. Each year CAP participation in search and rescue operations saves the taxpayer and the Air Force several million dollars.

CAP in Alaska has been providing the State of Alaska, and the USAF, outstanding service in support of search and rescue operations. With continued support of and coordination with the State of Alaska and the Air Force, CAP will continue to improve upon its distinguished record.



Lt. Col. Norm Bishop receives a letter of commendation from Gen. Westberg, National Commander, CAP.

COMMAND



COL. J. VIC BROWN
Commander, Alaska Wing



LT. COL. RUSSELL J. ANDERSON
Deputy Commander



LT. COL. MARGARET COOK
Chief of Staff



MAJOR BILL WALDRON
Commander — Polaris Group



LT. COL. RALPH WARREN
Commander — Southeastern Group



CAPT. RALPH MIGLIACCIO
Commander — Yukon Group

THE CHAPLAIN CIVIL AIR PATROL YEARLY REPORT FOR 1973

The Staff of every division of CAP includes the position of Chaplain all the way from National Headquarters of CAP down through the Regions, Wings, and Groups to the Squadrons. The Chaplain in the Senior Squadrons provides counsel and religious support in the routine meetings and Search and Rescue operations.

In the Cadet Squadrons the Chaplain conducts the moral leadership training, character and citizenship guidance, as well as personal counselling and the conduct of religious services at summer encampments and week end bivouacs. The Chaplain opens and closes meetings with prayer. He fills an important role in the emergency search and rescue operation.

Chaplain (Major) John L. Maakestad was appointed in August 1973 to the Alaska Wing Headquarters, coming up from the Anchorage Cadet Sqd. where

he had served for 6 years. He replaced Chaplain (Major) William Elkinton, whose work took him out of the state. In the Wing post Chaplain Maakestad serves as the Staff Chaplain and is responsible for Chaplain recruitment and manning in all the CAP Units in the state. All of the Chaplains in CAP are subject to level one training along with the regular Senior Membership and each provides and maintains his own uniform, pays his own dues, and is obligated to attend meetings, unless excused, and pulls his share of the weight.

Chaplain Maakestad is a Native born Alaskan, hailing from Petersburg where his father was a Lutheran Pastor in whose footsteps he followed. He has served parishes in Fairbanks, Shismaref and Nome, as well as his present position at State Institutional Chaplain at API and MYC in Anchorage. CAP plays an important part in the State of Alaska, and voluntary clergy have a necessary role to fill in its operation.



(Left to right): Chaplain Maj. Schroeder, USAF, Asst. National Chaplain and Col. Carter, CAP, observe while Chaplain Col. George Wilson, USAF, Command Chaplain AAC, explains a chart. Alaska Wing Chaplain McElhannon also watches.

1973 CADET PROGRAM

One area of CAP that is thoroughly zeroed in on by CAP Units in Alaska and in the Nation is the Cadet Program. Many avenues of activities are open to the Cadet willing to work for them such as learning to solo and then securing a pilots license, FAA Cadet Orientation, International Air Cadet Exchange, Cadet Officers School, Air Training Command to stimulate the Cadet in making flying a career. Communications Electronic Course, Medical Services Program, Air Force Academy Survival Course, Space Flight Course to stimulate interest in Aerospace, and many other courses that help Cadets, male and female, to chosen careers in life. There is no other program for young people, ages 13 to 18, equal to those found in the Cadet Program of CAP.

The Elmendorf Cadet Sqd. has instituted a Ranger Team to learn all of the rugged techniques of life saving in the wilderness, to be Emergency Services Qualified. The Dimond Sqd. has six cadets, one a female, who have learned to solo, and are now training for their pilots license. Seven of the Dimond Sqd. qualified for Billy Mitchell awards. The Daedalian Award was won by Donna Manto of the Homer Sqd. Two Cadets qualified to attend the National Convention. Herman Shouten, took the FAA Orientation Course, Susan Fletcher the Space Flight Orientation Course which inspired her towards becoming a lady astronaut, and Howie Hillicker went to Australia as part of the International Air Cadet Exchange. Mike Neligh of Soldotna received his Mitchell Award and his solo wings. Many of the special activities open to Cadets allow for trips to various areas in the South 48 during the summer months. All squadrons throughout the State are seeking recruits for the Cadet Program open to male or female between the ages of 13 to 18 there is no better way to build character in our young and at no cost to the recipient.



Susan Fletcher, captain and squadron commander of Dimond Cadet Squadron, was the only Alaskan to attend the CAP space flight orientation course at the George C. Marshall Space Flight Center in Huntsville, Alabama.



Cadets from Dimond Squadron who completed Cadet Solo Training in 1973.



Type B, Encampment held at Kulis Air National Guard Base — Anchorage and Dimond Cadet Squadrons.

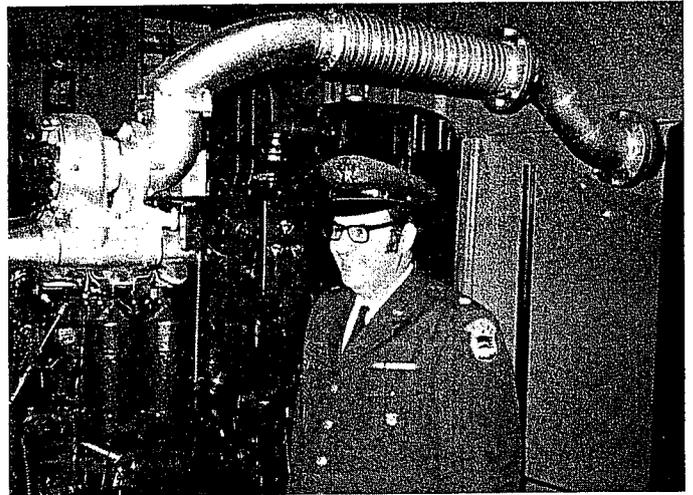


"Glacier Pilot" Bob Reeve drew ticket for winner of David Green fur parka for Dimond Cadet Squadron promotion.

COMMUNICATIONS

The Alaska Wing CAP Communications Station KWA677 moved to a new location during the Fall of 1973. We are now in building 43-500 this location is high on a hill overlooking the Elmendorf AFB runways. The new site is ideal for communications because it is in a low-noise area. The new quarters offer several advantages over the former building. Among these are a more spacious administration area, a more efficient communications operating position, and an unlimited emergency power source. The advantage of this cannot be overestimated, considering the fact that the CAP may be called upon to exercise its functions during times of extreme emergency, when the usual sources of power energy for equipment are not available. The emergency generator is continually maintained in a state of readiness and can be put on line within 90 seconds after a power outage. The generator has a capacity of 150 KW and will adequately handle the total power load for the Alaska Wing.

CAP radio station Sourdough 6, located in the Anchorage area, has a total communications capability, including HF, SSB, and VHF air-to-ground. CAP communications through Sourdough 6 can be connected into the Civil Defense communications network and also integrated with the Amateur net-



Maj. Wilse G. Morgan, Director of Communications

works for Nationwide communications. Sourdough 6 also has an emergency power source utilizing an automatic switching panel for minimum downtime in case of power failure.

The Glacier Cadet Sqd. was the recipient of 5 VHF-FM mobile transceivers from the State of Alaska. These transceivers were rejuvenated and put on CAP VHF frequencies to be used for cadet training, to enable them to become proficient in operating CAP radio nets.



Cadets with Bob Pinegold, Communications Officer, in early days of CAP at Merrill Field

OPERATIONS

The Civil Air Patrol began in 1974 with 28 operational aircraft and coupled with the on-going maintenance program are confident that we are prepared to perform any and all missions assigned by the Alaskan Rescue Co-ordination Center with a very high degree of efficiency.

The year 1973 produced 648 requirements for search and rescue, of which, the Alaska CAP flew 203 USAF authorized missions encompassing 1,080 sorties for a total hours flown of 2,138. These hours were flown by active flying corporate CAP owned aircraft, and assisted by CAP qualified observers, on their own time.

We are very proud that out of the 47 lives saved in the U. S. by all of the 52 CAP Wings, the Alaska Wing saved 29 of those lives.

The Cadet Program progressed very well during 1973, with 12 cadets being soloed in our Cessna 150 aircraft, and at the present time, more cadets are being prepared for this important function during 1974. These CAP Cadets are the future pilots for the Alaska CAP, and because of the training incentives in all phases of the Cadet Program, more young people are becoming interested in the CAP Cadet Program.

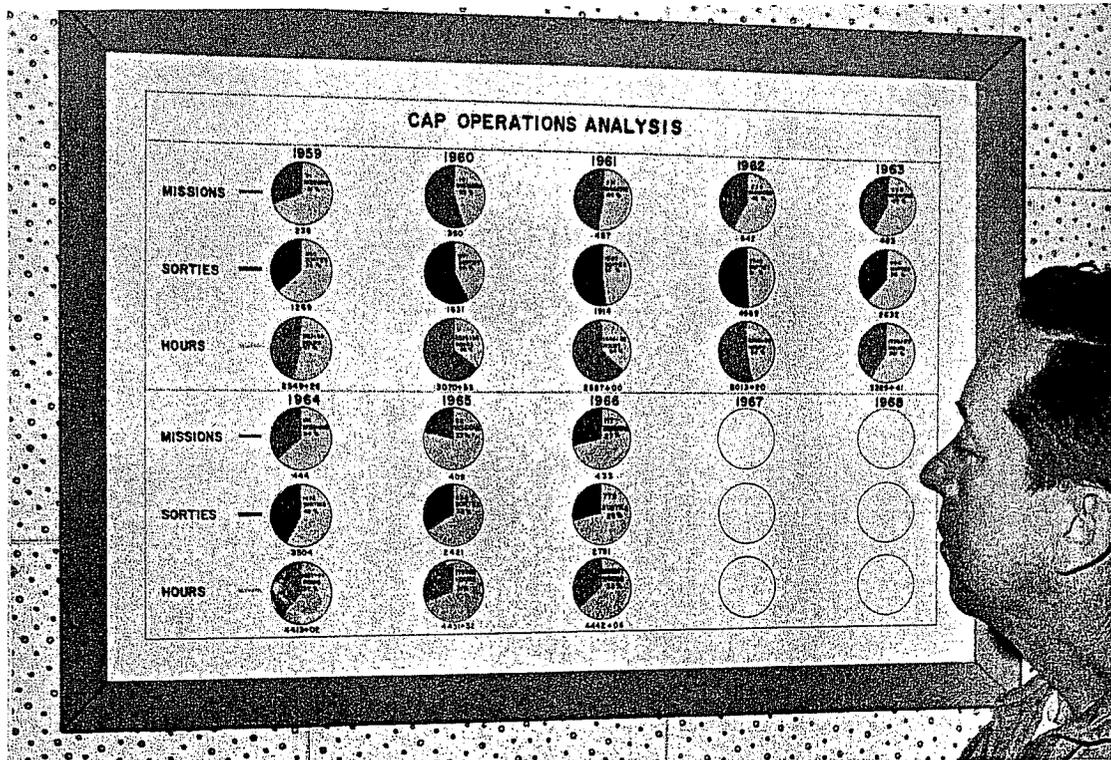
Most of the CAP corporate owned aircraft have had directional finders installed, and all aircraft are equipped with the emergency locator beacon. During 1974, we expect to have operational a number



Clear Senior Squadron simulates what happens quite often on a CAP Mercy Mission.

of sideband radios, which will increase our communication capability. In addition, two Otter Type aircraft will be added to our present fleet, which will necessitate registered nurses and highly qualified personnel for medical evacuation.

The upcoming Pipeline activities will place an added burden on our normal duties, however, we have been preparing for this increased activity and will be ready to accept this responsibility. Thanks to the assistance of the Alaska Legislature, the RCC and the USAF, plus many other organizations, the CAP has experienced a most active and rewarding year. We are confident that with the commitment of all active members of the Alaska CAP, and its supporters, 1974 will recognize the Alaska CAP as the finest Wing in the nation.



AEROSPACE / ECOLOGY SEMINAR

An Aerospace/Ecology Education Seminar co-sponsored by CAP and the University of Alaska—Anchorage was held June 25 - July 6, 1973 at the Mt. Spur School on Elmendorf AFB. Those attending numbered 15 teachers who received 3 Graduate Credits. Instructors included Gary Moen, NASA Representative, Mary Perry, Clerical Assistant to Director Aerospace U O A, Sgt. Robert W. Hartlep, Active Reserve, Ketchikan, Assistant to Aerospace Director, Dr. Roland Stickney, Director Aerospace U of A, Lt. Col. Harold Hopkins, ROTC West High, Thomas B. Croson, Consultant to Hughes Air West, and Pat Cody, Director of Aerospace for the Pacific Region CAP. A similar Aerospace Seminar is in the planning stages for 1974.



Col. James Carter, left, pins Alaska Wing Button on Mrs. Rolland Spaulding, while Dr. Rolland Spaulding looks on and Jack Sorenson agrees its a fine idea. The guests had just arrived at MATTS Terminal to conduct the first Alaskan Aviation Workshop in June 1959.



Arrival of WEHNER VON BRAUN from NASA at Anchorage, Alaska 15 July 1961. Mr. von Braun met by James E. Carter, Colonel, CAP, Alaska Wing Commander and Honor Guard of Cadets from local units. Von Braun was openly impressed with CAP.

SENIOR TRAINING

During 1973, we have continued with the new Level 1 Training Program. The cooperation of all CAP Groups and Squadrons in Alaska made possible the training of over 400 Alaskan Members, all who have successfully passed their final examinations. In addition we have an active program of Level 2 and 3 training in progress. Special programs in Search & Rescue Techniques, Emergency Services, and Radio-

logical Ground & Aerial Training have been coordinated with the various units throughout Alaska. Effective January 1, 1974, the three Alaskan Groups have taken over active planning and management of all training within their Groups and all Squadrons assigned to them. The Wing Senior Training Section will act as liaison to these units and provide technical assistance as required.

SAFETY

The Alaska Wing posture regarding safety has been good. However, safety is presently being reviewed throughout Alaska. CAP missions sometimes often requires risk to save lives, and this is carefully weighed as to potential gain. CAP seeks to set a high standard by example-by maintaining a high

level of safety. Safety is practiced and preached from Wing to Squadron level. It's a goal that all can profit from, and one that requires a 100% effort of everyone involved. CAP never relaxes from its safety goals, and 1974 will see safety as one of CAP's prime objectives.

CIVIL AIR PATROL RESERVE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM 1973

One element of USAF support of CAP is the Reserve Assistance Program. Through this program reservists of all services may gain retirement credits by helping CAP in its many missions. During 1973,

reservists contributed over 600 hours to CAP programs in Alaska. Command of reservists in the state moved from Maj. Sam Richardson to Maj. Keith Trexler during the year.

BALANCE SHEET

June 30, 1973

ASSETS

Current Assets	
Cash in bank	\$ 8,608.95
Accounts receivable	2,158.93
Total current assets	\$ 10,767.88
Equipment and building, at cost and donated equipment	
Buildings	121,140.63
Aircraft	95,403.24
Vehicles	9,474.00
Communications equipment	19,301.86
Other equipment	1,645.03
Total depreciable	246,964.76
Less accumulated depreciation	35,058.39
Equipment and buildings, net	211,906.37
Other assets	46.00
	<u>\$222,720.25</u>

LIABILITIES AND NET WORTH

Accounts payable	\$ 5,462.14
Net worth	217,258.11
	<u>\$222,720.25</u>

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September 27, 1973

THE ALASKA WING
 CIVIL AIR PATROL
 Anchorage, Alaska

Gentlemen:

We have examined the balance sheet of The Alaska Wing, Civil Air Patrol as of June 30, 1973, and the related statement of operations and net worth for the year then ended. Our examination was made in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and accordingly included such tests of the accounting records and such other auditing procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

In our opinion, the accompanying balance sheet and the statement of operations and changes in net worth present fairly the financial position of The Alaska Wing, Civil Air Patrol at June 30, 1973, and the results of its operations for the year then ended, in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles.

VIRGINIA K. CUTSHALL

STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS AND NET WORTH

Year ended June 30, 1973

Income	
Membership dues	\$ 6,647.78
Senior activities	2,179.20
Cadet activities	240.00
Material and supplies	405.51
State appropriation	123,871.39
Salvage proceeds	9,818.65
Aircraft rental	2,346.15
Bookstore	622.35
Deactivated units	501.30
	<u>146,632.33</u>

Expenses

Office expense	\$ 2,764.94
Materials and supplies	1,999.04
Facility expenses	11,208.26
Cadet activities	2,164.74
Senior activities	3,805.14
Operations and maintenance	
Aircraft	72,136.32
Communications	2,452.34
Vehicle	820.69
Other equipment	767.25
Insurance	5,602.00
Travel	6,134.19
Legal and accounting	462.30
Taxes	1,328.40
Depreciation	17,567.83
Miscellaneous	1,223.21
	<u>130,436.65</u>
Excess of income over expenses	16,195.68

Net worth

June 30, 1972	\$201,062.43
June 30, 1973	<u>\$217,258.11</u>

ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE

National Headquarters Civil Air Patrol is located at Maxwell AFB, Alabama. Each Wing Headquarters provides command and staff supervision over its subordinate units.

UNITS OF THE ALASKA WING CAP — 1973

POLARIS GROUP

Maj. Arthur L. Waldron, Anchorage

Anchorage CadetMaj. John M. Cooley
Dimond CadetCapt. Shirley B. Fetcher
Elmendorf CadetMaj. Arthur M. Harris
Kenai Senior1/Lt. Jerry Sutton
Seward CompositeMaj. Emmitt W. Hill
Soldotna CompositeCapt. Paul G. Issak

SOUTHEASTERN GROUP

Lt. Col. Ralph R. Warren, Juneau

Juneau CadetMaj. Samuel A. Richard

YUKON GROUP

Capt. Ralph Migliaccio

Clear Senior1/Lt. Thomas H. Lamb
Fairbanks CadetLt. Col. John C. Gilmore
Kotzebue SeniorLt. Col. John M. Cross

UNITS ASSIGNED TO WING HEADQUARTERS

Cordova SeniorCapt. C. W. Collins
Glacier CadetMaj. Robert E. Hickey
Homer CompositeCapt. Velton Cason
Ketchikan CadetCapt. Kenneth M. Dillard
Matanuska CompositeCapt. LeRoy Johnson
Nome CadetS/M Edgar A. Spruce, Jr.

15th Anniversary — 1956

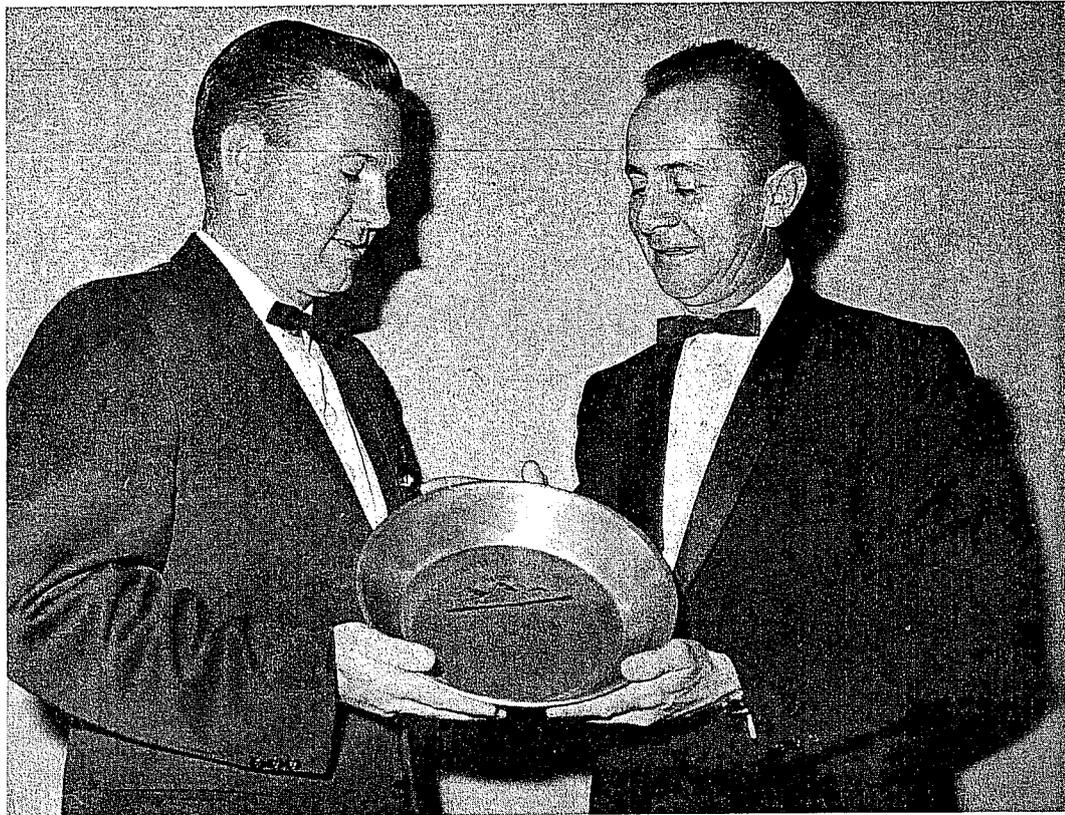


I would like to convey my congratulations to the members of the Civil Air Patrol on the occasion of their Fifteenth Anniversary. The accomplishments of this volunteer organization have been many, but of paramount importance to the Alaskan Command has been their able assistance and fine cooperation in air rescue operations. Through their generous contributions of time and effort they have assisted materially in the advancement of civil and military aviation

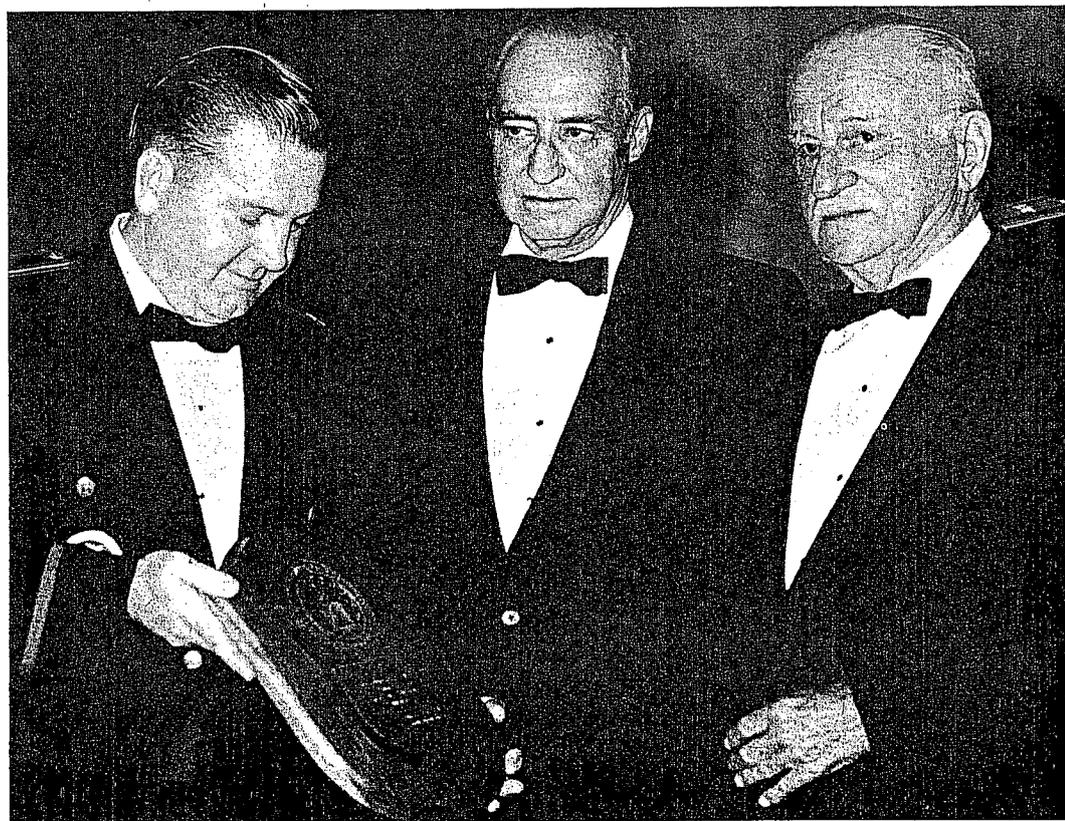
GEN. FRANK ARMSTRONG
Base Commander



Bill Waldron and John Norby in 1964 going over plans for New CAP hangar at Merrill Field with old CAP Alaskan Wing Headquarters in background.



Larry Landry, President of the Chamber of Commerce
presenting Col. Carter with Gold Pan Award



Left to right: Col. Carter, Gen. J. P. McConnell, Gen. Carl A. Spatz.
Col. Carter received the award for the outstanding Wing Commander
for all 52 Wings



Former Senator Bob Bartlett, a great supporter of CAP, in Territorial Days



Bob Reeve, Comd. Clyde Lewis, Anchorage Sqdn. CAP, Ray Petersen,
Mayor Geo. Byer, Gen. Ncrason and Loren Cannon
Honoring CAP Air & Rescue



Example of Tons of Supplies Flown by CAP after 1964 Earthquake



Lee Masce — Hawaiian Wing; Clara Livingstone, Puerto Rico Wing;
and Col. Carter, Alaska Wing



Gov. Egan with Commander Lt. Col. Warren of Southeastern Group CAP and Cadets during signing of a CAP Anniversary in Juneau

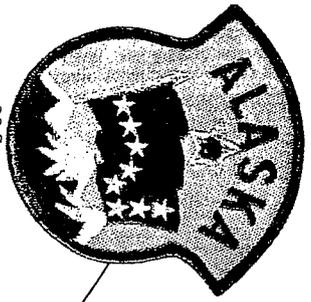


Alaskan Civil Air Patrol officers and their Cadet counterparts visit Lt. General Frank A. Armstrong, Jr., Commander-in-Chief, Alaska during their encampment held at Elmendorf Air Force Base. Over 70 members of the CAP took part in the two week orientation program at Elmendorf. L to R: Capt. Mae Suhrbier, Juneau, Encampment Adjutant; Maj. Petee Stiver, Anchorage, Encampment Commander; General Armstrong; Cadet Maj. Gene Moody, Juneau; Cadet Encampment Commander, and Cadet Lt. Myrtle Sibson, Homer, Cadet Adjutant.



Captain John Norby, operations officer of the Anchorage Squadron, with two Eskimo children, while delivering Christmas packages to outlying Alaskan villages. Capt. Norby, pilot extraordinary, whose search and rescue ribbon is "crowded" with clusters indicating his very large number of missions, because, in his own words, "there is a great deal of satisfaction in completing a rescue mission." He added to , "and I always remember that as much as I fly—some day a search may be for me." A salute to a fine flyer and devoted to his duty CAP Pilot from all of us in the Alaska CAP.

Christmas 1961



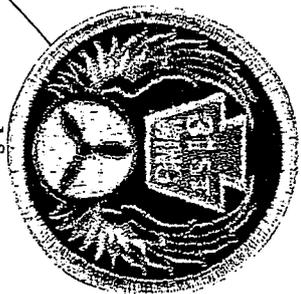
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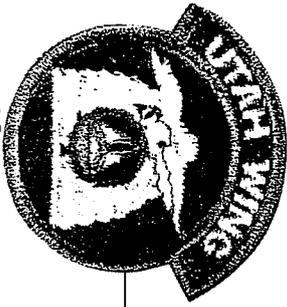
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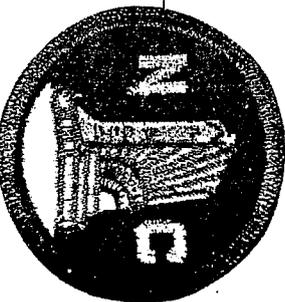
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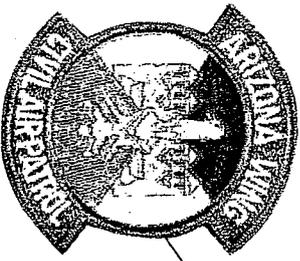
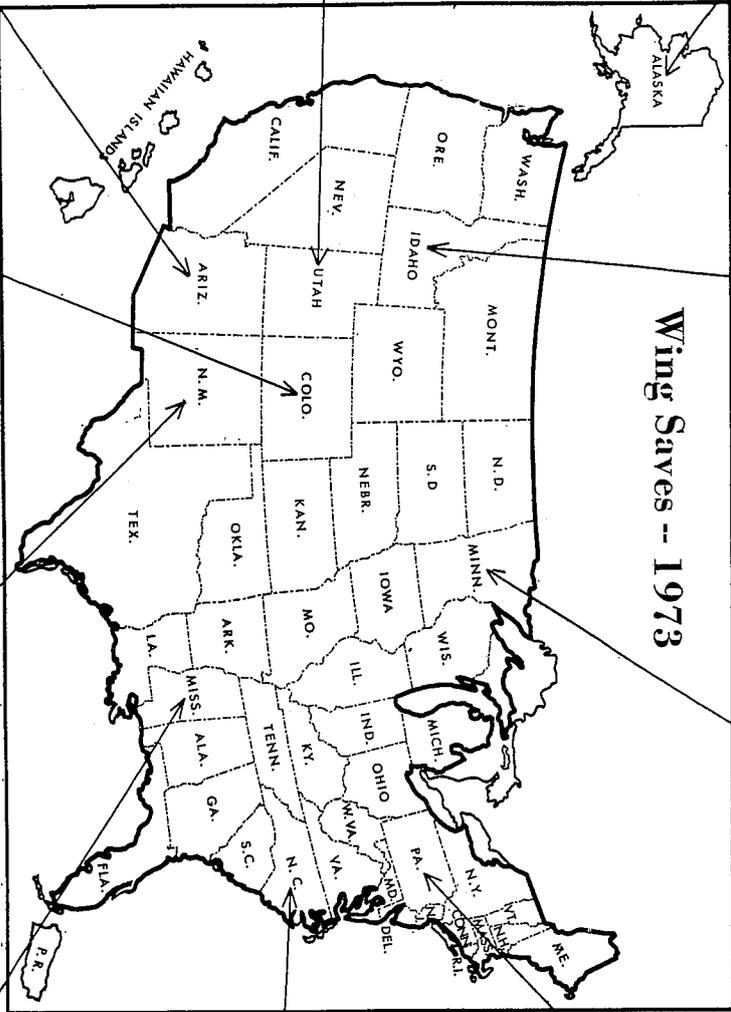
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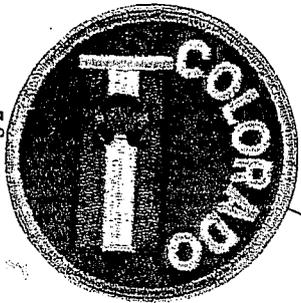
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