



## Sky Pilot Trails



### FROM THE CAWG HC...

One of the great perks of being a member of the Chaplain Service and CAP is to attend the various activities and events that are conducted and to interact with other members of this great organization. Since the month of May, I have had the privilege of participating in the Gill Robb Wilson Memorial Service; Unit Commanders Course; Squadron Leadership School; Corporate Learning Course; a Group Change of Command; a Wing Staff picnic; and the Cadet Encampment.

Since being introduced to the term “Ministry of Presence” a few years ago when I received my Chaplain’s appointment, I hope and trust that you find it as much of it a joy and privilege to be able to provide “Ministry of Presence” while participating in CAP activities as I do. Being able to interact with our Wing membership through both formal and informal settings is something we should

treasure. Observing Cadet and Senior Members performing their duties and responsibilities, and being able to support them through our words of encouragement and, sometimes, just our “being there” provides a great appreciation of the contributions that the membership of CAP makes to our local communities, to the fellow members of our organization, and to our country. There hasn’t been a time when I have attended a CAP activity



All PCR Wing Chaplains were in attendance at the recent PCR Chaplain Staff College—including Flat Stanley. Good job Chaplain Dan Dyer, Dep. Chief of Chaplains

that I have not heard someone remark that they appreciate the work that their squadron Chaplain or MLO is providing. Those remarks make me proud to know that the contributions of our CAWG Chaplain Service is making a difference throughout the week.

In Service Together,  
*Paul*

Ch (Lt. Col.) Paul Ward  
CAWG HC

# Congratulations!

## APPOINTMENTS/AWARDS/ PROMOTIONS:

### Appointments:

2<sup>nd</sup> Lt. April Barton - MLO, Squadron 15

Ch (Lt. Col.) Dan Dyer – CAWG HC Staff, Mentoring Officer

Ch (Maj.) Chuck Ingram – Group 7 HC

Ch (Lt. Col.) Jack Nahrstadt – Group 3 HC

Ch (1<sup>st</sup> Lt) Michael O’Berg - Squadron 33

Ch (1<sup>st</sup> Lt) Kevin Shaw - Squadron 150

Ch (Lt. Col.) Michael Tachet – CAWG HC Staff, Retention Officer

Ch (1<sup>st</sup> Lt) Michael Vernava – Squadron 47



Lt. Wiley and Chap. McKinney—PCR Awardees

### Promotions:

Chaplain Jack Nahrstadt - Lt. Col.

Chaplain Howard Payne - Lt. Col.

### Awards:

**Ch (Lt. Col.) John Berger** – Group 2 Chaplain of the Year

**Ch (Maj.) George Dawson** – Grover Loening (Level 4)

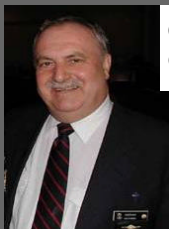
**Maj. Bruce Joyner** – Grover Loening (Level 4) and

**Gill Robb Wilson** (Level 5 - #2269)

**Ch (Capt.) Mike McKinney** – PCR Squadron Chaplain of the Year

**Ch (1<sup>st</sup> Lt) Kevin Shaw** – Certificate of Completion for “The CAP Chaplain” (Sr. Rating, 221)

**1<sup>st</sup> Lt. Sue Willey** – PCR MLO of the Year, Non-Distress Find Ribbon (04M1298), Group 2 MLO of the Year



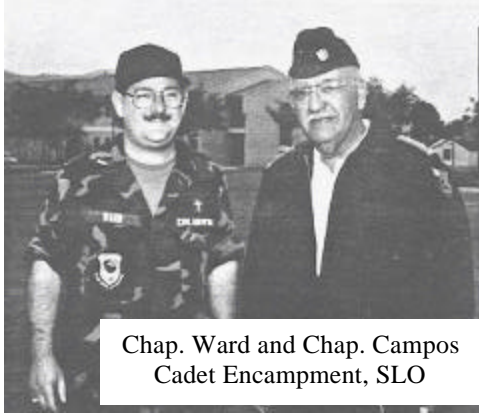
Chap. Chuck Ingram  
GR 7 Chap. Of Year

Lt. Wiley and LTC. Berger and Group 2 Awardees



## TRIBUTE TO CH (LT. COL.) SAMMY CAMPOS

Squadron Chaplain; Group Chaplain; Encampment Chaplain; Dep. Wing Chaplain, Wing Chaplain; Wing Chaplain Emeritus



Chap. Ward and Chap. Campos  
Cadet Encampment, SLO

On May 28<sup>th</sup> members of the CAWG gathered with the Campos family and their friends to celebrate the life and faith of Sammy.

Sammy attained his

greatest promotion on May 22 when the Lord called him home, having run the race and finishing the course set out for Sammy. During Sammy's nearly 68 years here with us, he served the Lord faithfully as a husband, father, uncle, grandfather, pastor, chaplain, neighbor, and friend. His life truly enriched all those he came in contact with. The CAWG and its Chaplain Service will truly miss Sammy's presence...but his influence continues through all of our lives and the lives of those he impacted by his example and lessons taught by word and deed.



**The Final Salute  
to Chaplain Sammy Campos  
Members of the CAWG  
serving as the Honor Guard**

## Mark Your Calendar

### MARK THESE DATES:

October 29-31, 2004 – CAWG and CAWG Chaplain Service Conferences (see enclosed registration forms)

December 31, 2004 – Form 34 due (send to Wing Chaplain)

March 7-10, 2005 – Chaplain Service Region Staff College (CSRSC) at McChord AFB, Washington

#### SEPTEMBER 2004

1-Beginning of the Ecclesiastical Year - Orthodox Christian  
6-Krishan Jayanti - Hindu  
8 -Nativity of Mary - Christian  
12 -Lailat al Miraj - Islam  
14 -Elevation of the Life Giving Cross - Orthodox Christian  
Holy Cross Day - Christian  
16-17-Rosh Hashanah - Jewish  
18 -Ganesh Chaturthi - Hindu  
21-Fall Equinox - Wicca  
25- Yom Kippur - Jewish  
29 -Michael and All Angels - Christian  
30-Lailat al Bara'ah - Islam  
Sukkot begins - Jewish

#### OCTOBER 2004

Sept 30-Oct 5 (30&1 Primary Obligation Days) Sukkot - Jewish  
4 -St Francis Day - Catholic Christian  
7-Shemini Atzeret - Jewish  
8 -Simchat Torah - Jewish  
14-22-Navaratra Dashara - Hindu  
15 -Ramadan begins (through Nov 14) - Islam  
18 -St Luke, Apostle & Evangelist - Christian  
20 -Birth of the B'ab - Baha'i  
Installation of Scriptures as Guru Granth Sahib - Sikh  
22 -Dasera (Dusserha) - Hindu  
25 -Nirvana Celebration - Jain  
28 -Milvian Bridge Day - Christian  
31 -All Hallows Eve - Christian  
Samhain - Wicca  
Reformation Day - Protestant Christian

## CAWG CHAPLAIN SERVICE MEMBERS AT CADET ENCAMPMENT

The Cadet Training Group conducted its annual Encampment at Fort Hunter-Liggett from August 7<sup>th</sup> to August 14<sup>th</sup>. There were nearly 320 cadets and senior members who participated in this training event. Members of the CAWG Chaplain Service who contributed to the success of this year's encampment were: Capt. Lani Cahill, Maj. Scott Englund, 1<sup>st</sup> Lt. Patricia Lay, 1<sup>st</sup> Lt. Joseph Torres, and Ch (Lt. Col.) Paul Ward. Fort Hunter-Liggett is an Army Garrison used for tank and artillery training. Throughout the day, one could hear the thunderous booms of shelling at the ranges. It was extremely hot...but fortunately the facilities were air conditioned. Cadets were treated to observation rides in C-130s and firing M-16s, in addition to the hours of training.

### SUMMARY FROM FORMS

**34:** From January to June 2004 the members of the CAWG Chaplain Service participated in 819 activities; spent 4,191 hours; traveled 29,580.4 miles; and invested \$8,762.84.

The one concern that I continue to have is the area of training. Chaplains need to read the 221 and 221A pamphlets and take the tests to attain their Senior and Master Ratings. MLOS need to read the 225 Specialty Track and complete the requirements to attain their Technician, Senior, and Master Ratings. In order for all the members of the Chaplain Service to progress past Level One in the Senior Member Professional Development Program, one must enroll in and complete the "CAP Officers Course" (ECI 17). Enrollment takes place at the Squadron, so contact your Squadron Commander or Training Officer. Many of you have fulfilled the requirements of Levels 3 and 4, however, those awards cannot be given until Level 2 is completed. For further assistance concerning training, contact Ch (Lt. Col.) Jack Nahrstadt (Professional Development Officer; mostrevjack@earthlink.net - 909.674.1377).



## WOODARD NAMED PCR CHAPLAIN

Ch (Lt. Col.) Whit Woodard, who resides in California, was recently appointed as the Pacific Region Chaplain. He succeeds Ch (Lt. Col.) Dan Dyer, with whom he had served as Deputy Chaplain the past few years. Ch Woodard brings years of experience as both a CAP and a Law Enforcement Chaplain to this position. He named Ch (Maj.) Charles James, who resides in Washington, as his Deputy. Their first item of business is planning the 2005 CSRSC. Your continued prayers for and support of these men as they assume their new responsibilities are greatly appreciated.



### VALUES FOR LIVING

National has released the newly published Values for Living (July 2004). It is entitled "Flight Time". The material is in a different format in that the discussion questions are based on a case study. The curriculum will be mailed out from National HQ or can be downloaded from the National web-site. To access E-Services, one must log-in. Setting up an account is a simple process. The VFL can be found in the pamphlet section under Publications. Archived VFL curriculum can also be downloaded from the Chaplain resources page or purchasing a CD from the Wing Chaplain.



Chaplains Dyer and Campos at the National Cemetery of the Pacific ("The Punchbowl") standing in front of the memorial where the name of Albert Campos (Sammy's older brother; killed in action during WWII) is engraved.

## Notes from Around the Wing

TO: Wing Chaplains  
FROM: PCR HC

I have just returned from the National Boards in Tampa, FL. I wish that you all could have been there.

After a spirited campaign complete with red, white and blue balloons and much lobbying, a new National Commander and Vice Commander were elected. Gen. Dwight Wheless survived a challenge from Southwest Region Commander Tony Pineda, who was subsequently elected to Vice Commander. Gen. Wheless appointed Southwest Region Chaplain, LTC, Charles Sharp as the new Chief of Chaplain Services. I will hold off of revealing the new Deputy Chief and CSAC Secretary until Chaplain Sharp has announced his decisions. There is a new Values For Living and with it comes an entirely new model for teaching Moral Leadership. Henceforth, Moral Leadership will be known as Character Development in keeping with the Air Force program. We are employing the "Case Study Model" based on the instruction provided throughout the Air Force training process. Cadets will no longer be required to serve as discussion leaders and scribes, however, the technique is not abandoned. Cadets will be keeping their own "Flight Log" with entries that will document the ML lessons. When you get the new Values For Living, be sure to carefully study the "FLIGHT INSTRUCTOR GUIDE" and sample lesson "What Is Your Bent?" I think it prudent to anticipate a certain amount of skepticism and rejection of a radical change in our approach, but it is vastly superior to what we have been doing. I will ask Chaplain James to include instruction in the Case Study Model at our Pacific Region Chaplain Services Staff College for both Chaplains and MLOs. I suggest that you plan on the same for your Wing chaplain conferences. More on this later.

Be in prayer for our Chaplain Service. The last word that I had on the funding for chaplain staff colleges was despairing. Currently, the funds have been cut more drastically than we thought previously. On the positive side, the last appeals have not yet been exhausted. It appears that the CSEC will be entirely new and I know that they will appreciate our prayer as they take up the important matters of our chaplaincy.

Blessings,  
Whit  
Chaplain (Lt. Col.) Whit Woodard, CAP  
Pacific Region Chaplain  
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## CHIEF OF CHAPLAINS COMPLETES HIS TERM OF OFFICE



Chap. Melancon at the PCR Region Chaplain Service Staff College at Nellis AFB, Nevada

Chaplain (Col.) James Melancon was honored by Col. Hicks and the Chaplain Service with a clay eagle and a certificate from the Chapel

of the Four Chaplains.

These were given to Chaplain Melancon, Chief of Chaplains, U.S. Air Force Auxiliary, Civil Air Patrol the end of the Prayer Breakfast.

During the Awards Program, General Bowling also honored Chaplain Melancon with a Distinguished Service Medal.

Congratulations for a job well done!

### CAWG Chaplain Service

CONGRATULATIONS CHAPLAIN JOHN BERGER:

I just learned that you have finished the requirements for and attained the ES rating of Mission Chaplain. This is no small feat, but the result of a lot of effort on your part. Congratulations!!!

Your dedication and service to CAP, especially the CAWG and the Chaplain Service, is greatly admired and appreciated.

In Service Together,  
Paul  
Ch (Lt. Col.) Paul Ward  
CAWG HC  
CAP-USAF Auxiliary



California Wing Chaplain Service  
**Ch (Lt. Col.) Paul L. Ward**  
P.O. Box 5245; San Luis Obispo, CA 93403

CAWG Chaplain Service pays honor to the founder of the Civil Air Patrol, Gill Robb Wilson during the annual Memorial Day Ceremony at Forrest Lawn, Covina, California.

Col. Virginia Nelson, CAWG Commander and California Wing Chaplain, LTC Paul Ward participated at the homegoing



To all...

A few weeks ago I was pleased to announce the appointment of Ch (LTC) Dan Dyer as the Mentoring Officer for the CAWG Chaplain Service.

However, this appointment has been short-lived and I have had to relieve Ch Dyer of this responsibility so that he could pursue another responsibility... that of being the NATIONAL DEPUTY CHIEF OF THE CAP CHAPLAIN SERVICE!!!

The newly selected Chief, Chaplain (Col.) Charles Sharp has asked Chaplain Dan to serve with him. In this role, Dan will be the Dean of the Chaplain Colleges for all of CAP. We in the PCR have benefited from Dan's expertise and experience in this area for the past few years...and now other Regions will benefit as well.

Congratulations to Chaplain Dan Dyer upon this appointment. I know that he can count on our continued prayers and support.

In Service Together,  
Paul

Ch (Lt. Col.) Paul Ward