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Leadership is Built on Strong Experiences

What makes you a great cadet? More importantly, what will make you a leader? Have you selected someone in the Squadron who is a great leader and role model? Someone who deserves to be followed? Have you studied what distinguishes them to you? To others?

We Learned in Learning to Lead, Chapter 3 that the Air Force doctrine (the service's official beliefs) states that leadership is built from experience, education, and training. Chances are that the person you selected as your role model has used their education and training to enhance their experience.

There are things you can do to enhance your own leadership skills and to make your Team more effective.

1. Determine the Mission. Clearly outline for others the task you would like them to complete. Set clear goals.
2. Learn what Motivates the Team. How can you inspire the team?
3. Be A Good Teacher. Mentors are teachers first.
4. Find Ways to Exercise Your Leadership. Volunteer for positions. Be a part of the cadet experience.
5. Believe in Others. We all want to work with a leader who believes we have something to contribute.

I think within Nighthawk Composite Squadron we have strong senior members who mentor cadets. In addition, we have an incredible group of leaders in our executive team who clearly outline the mission for our team. They believe in others such as element leaders to communicate the mission. They use flight sergeants to motivate the team so that the entire squadron can meet the expectation of our leadership.

As you move forward with developing your own leadership potential, try to take advantage of the opportunities presented by our squadron. Your involvement will yield positive results.

Cadet Weekly Meeting
Schedule Nighthawk
Composite Squadron

Week 1-PT-Wear
Squadron t-shirt and
Black shorts

Week 2-Emergency
Services Wear BDU's

Week 3-Character
Development/Leadershi
p Wear BDU's

Week 4- Aerospace
Education-Wear Blues

Week 5- Cadets' Choice
night

Dates to Remember:

SAREX
16-17 February 2013

Wing Conference
12-14 April 2013

Drill Day
2 February 10a.m

Community Service
9 February

Nighthawk Composite Squadron Asks You To Participate with Drill Day

There is a Drill Day scheduled for February 2, 2012. This is a good opportunity for cadets to practice their drill skills. We hope to see you there.

Texas Wing Conference to be held in Houston

The Texas Wing Conference will be held at the Houston Hilton NASA Clear Lake Hotel. The registration fee for cadets is \$50. There is a room rate available of \$100 night and reservations must be made by mid March. Cadets may use activity scholarships to seek reimbursement for cost of registration and room. Squadron will cover costs of fuel to the hotel and back to Denton. Cadets should plan to bring money for meals.

Mark the Date for a Community Service Project

There is a community service scheduled for February 9. Please hold the date. More information will be available on dentoncap.org

Nighthawk Composite Squadron Hosts Search and Rescue at Lake Ray Roberts

On February 16 and 17, Nighthawk Composite Squadron will have a Search and Rescue at Lake Ray Roberts. The uniform of the day is BDU and the costs of \$5.00 will cover dinner Saturday evening and Sunday breakfast. Cadets should bring their own lunch each day. Signups are available on the CAP website and the contact is Capt. Jared Cryer.

Nighthawk Composite Squadron Extends Congratulations

Nighthawk Members - Please join me in saying congrats to the following cadets who recently won awards or nominations for awards:

Airman Audra Milbitz - 2012 Texas Wing Winter Encampment honor cadet for her squadron.

Airman Brayden Drago - 2012 Texas Wing Winter Encampment honor

Executive Staff:
Commander:
Cadet Capt. Daniel Bishop
Deputy Commander:
2nd Lt. Jordan Caldwell
Executive Officer:
2nd Lt. Teresa Schofield

Contact Me:
porcupineaviator@yahoo.com
Public Affairs Officer
Joseph Grant, C/CMSgt

cadet for his flight

Sgt Caroline Personius - Nominated for the Air Force Sergeants Association Outstanding National Cadet NCO of the Year Award
Chief Austin Grant - Nominated for the CAP Public Affairs Officer of the Year Award
Lt. Jordan Caldwell - Nominated for the second time for the AFA/CAP Aerospace Education Cadet of the Year Award
Captain Daniel Bishop - Nominated for the CAP National Cadet of the Year Award

The nominations for cadets Personius, Grant, Bishop and Caldwell have been sent to group headquarters for consideration and Lt. Col. Herkert will keep the Squadron advised on how they do.



Denton's McNatt Supports Nighthawk Composite Squadron

Jim McNatt, a local automobile dealer, is excited to partner with Nighthawk Composite Squadron. Nighthawk is selling raffle tickets and 100% of the money raised goes to Nighthawk Composite Squadron. After the first \$20 of tickets are sold, then a cadet can put \$1 of every \$2 toward their CAP account. Money in this account can be used for future CAP expenses including encampment, gliding, national activities etc.

The winner of the raffle will have their choice of a BRAND NEW car or truck from one of the Jim McNatt Auto Group dealerships.



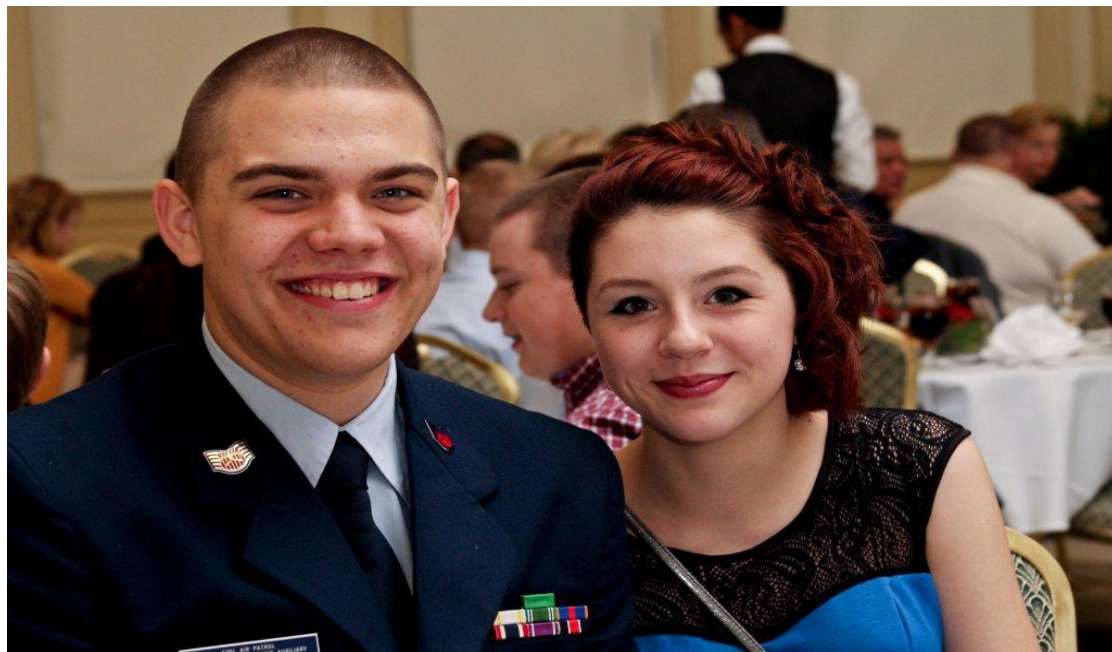
They can choose a brand new Honda, Toyota, Scion, Chevrolet, Buick or GMC vehicle with an MSRP of \$25,000 or less. The McNatt Auto Group even pays the tax, title and license on the vehicle. The winner does not need to be present to win, but must be over the age of 18.

Congratulations to Nighthawk's January Promotions!

Congratulations to the following cadets who were promoted in January :

Austin Lux - Amn
Benjamin Lux - Amn
Tanner Woods - SrA
Austin Langley - TSgt
Ryan Carter - MSgt
Dakota Sellers - SMSgt
Robert Sellers - CMSgt
Jordan Caldwell - 1Lt

Pictures of Annual Squadron Awards Banquet



New Contact Information for PAO

Austin Langley is the new PAO. He can be reached at austin@thelangleys.net