



Milwaukee Composite Squadron #5's
CADET PROGRAM
2007 - Year in Review



In an organization as fast-paced as Civil Air Patrol, we need to pause occasionally to look back at all our accomplishments. When we do, it's amazing to see just how hard we work and how successful we are. This annual review recounts the highlights of the past year and features some of the people who made Squadron 5's Cadet Program great—and it's dedicated to all members who, in 2007, did their best to be the best.



On the Cover

On September 29th, the Squadron 5 Cadet Color Guard was one of six to present the colors during "CAP Night" at Miller Park. From left to right: CMSgt. Luke Fenelon, CMaj. Joshua Just, CMSgt. Breanne Selear and C2Lt. Niko Ruud. C2Lt. Benjamin Unger led the Kenosha Color Guard. The new Squadron patch, at left, was unveiled on March 14th. Our Cadets also marched in the Veterans Day Parade.

AEROSPACE EDUCATION

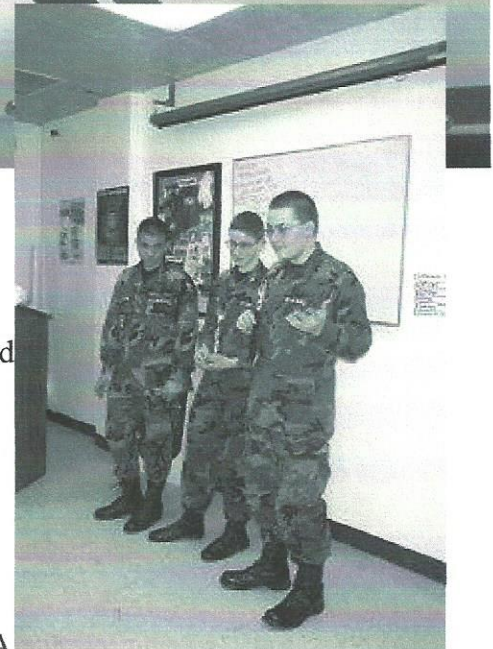
Cadets gain an understanding of the complex forces that cause an aircraft to achieve lift, as well as navigation, engines and aerospace history.

Orientation flights in both civilian and military aircraft are a regular part of the Cadet Program. At left, three cadets, including Squadron 5's Chad Nowak (left), receive a briefing from the pilot before going aloft.

In 2007, cadets built and flew model rockets in association with a local model rocketry club. Their classes were under the supervision of Lt. Cols. Steve Waite and Jo Stys and Mrs. Elizabeth Zoellner.

The AE Weekend, held each September at Oshkosh's EAA facility, provides cadets the opportunity to learn more about the fundamentals of flight, weather and aircraft safety. Cadets built and competed in model aircraft building and other hands-on aviation-related activities, orientation flights and a tour of the EAA Museum. This year, Cadets Niko Ruud, Benjamin Unger, Chad Nowak, David Ushakow, Morgan Murphy, Eric Martin and Dominic DiSalvo attended. Adults included Maj. Sorenson, Lt. Col. Sims, Lts. Michaels, Schandelmeier, Schreiber, and SM Nelson.

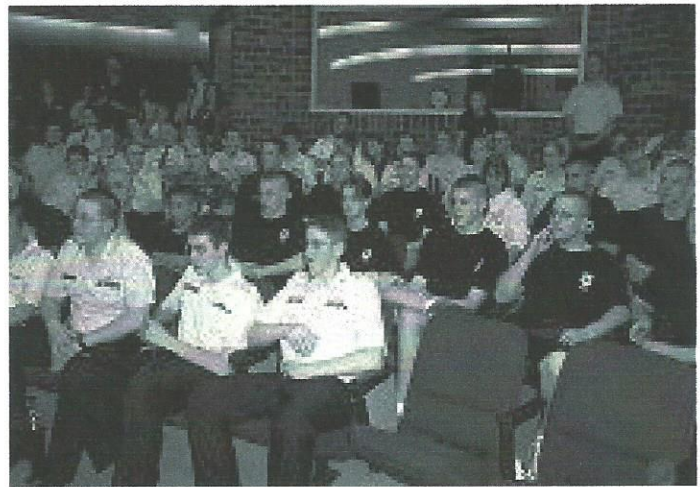
At its December 19th meeting Squadron 5 cadets toured the EAA museum at Racine's Batten Airport and the fixed based operator facility.



CHARACTER BUILDERS

Cadet Competition

Eager to demonstrate their aerospace knowledge, physical fitness and precision on the



drill field, two cadet drill teams and six color guards vied against each other at the Wisconsin Wing Competition on March 24th in Madison. Rising to the occasion with their good sportsmanship, cadets amazed spectators with their esprit de corps. In 2007, Squadron 5's Color Guard placed the highest during the written exam. The unit consisted of Cadets Dominic DiSalvo, Luke Fenelon, Kevin Klosky, and Niko Ruud.

CMSgt. Fenelon (left) was recognized as the outstanding Color Guard cadet at the competition.

Summer Encampment

During a week-long encampment at Volk Field ANG Base, Camp Douglas, our cadets are exposed to Air Force values and traditions. First year cadets develop teamwork and self confidence in what is for many their first experience away from home. Cadets returning for a second year, enroll in the Wisconsin Cadet Academy, an opportunity to hone leadership skills.



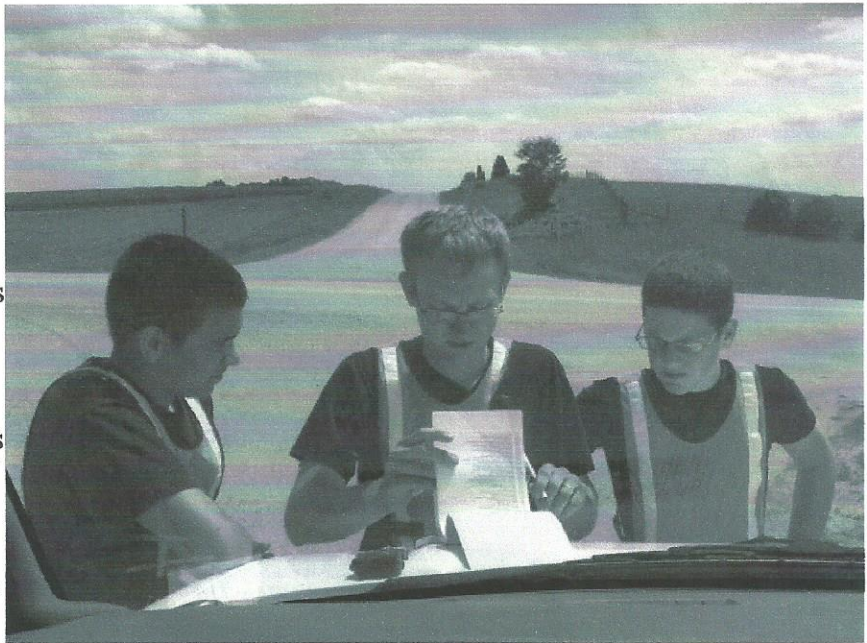
Advanced cadets apply these leadership skills while serving in positions of responsibility. Trained adult members supervise and mentor the cadets. This year, the following graduated from Summer Encampment: C2Lt. Niko Ruud (cadet staff), CAmn. Joel Stave and CAmn. Chad Nowak. Cadet Nowak was Honor Cadet for "Charlie" Flight and Cadet Stave was a member of "Foxtrot" Flight, the Encampment's Honor Flight.

EMERGENCY SERVICES

Squadron #5's cadets receive training in disaster relief and first aid techniques.

Our Cadet and adult volunteers participated in practice and actual search and rescue and humanitarian missions in 2007. They worked as radio operators, ground team members and mission staff assistants.

At right, Cadets Dominic DiSalvo, Benjamin Unger and Luke Fenelon participate in a ground search exercise on June 23rd. Squadron 5 Cadets also participated in a "SAREX" and the EAA precautionary mission in July.



CMaj. Josh Just (right) searches through debris in the aftermath of flooding in Minnesota. From August 23rd through the 27th, Cadets Benjamin Unger and Niko Ruud, Joel Stave, Dominic DiSalvo and Chad Nowak also assisted the Houston County Sheriff's Department. Majors Julie & Ron Sorenson, Nicholas Rushizky, 1Lt. Ryan Schreiber and SM James Heckman headed up the ground team.

Squadron 5 Cadets also assisted in two local missions in 2007:

On April 16, they responded to an ELT (Emergency Locator Transmitter) call and within a response time of 30 minutes, found the violating twin Beechcraft at Waukesha's airport.

On September 20-21, they conducted a search for a missing man in Walworth County.

Squadron 5's senior officers searched for a downed aircraft near West Bend on August 10th.

PROGRAM SUPPORT

Squadron 5's many and varied activities would not be possible without the support of its adult leaders (senior officers). Their guidance, training and participation make the Cadet Program possible.

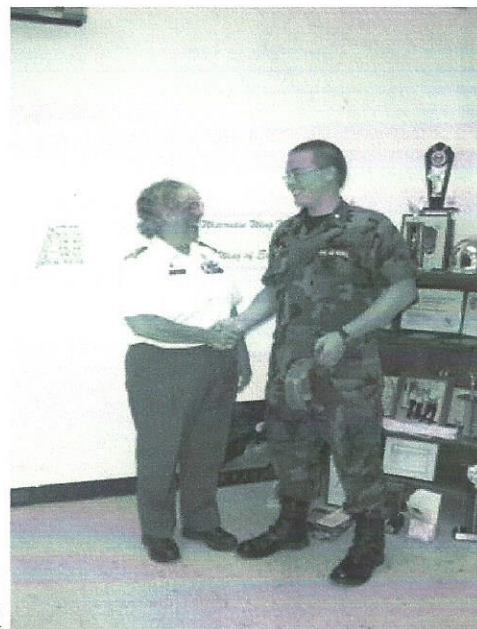
Outreach was performed May 18th, when Cadets and Seniors presented CAP during South Milwaukee School's "High Interest Day."

Maintaining a level of activity takes money. In 2007, Cadet and Senior fundraising efforts included selling Boston Store coupon books (January – March, October - December), selling Racine Kringsles, cookie dough and pizzas (April – May), providing 1st Aid and traffic control at Dan Jansen Fest (May), at South Shore Frolics and St. Veronica's Music Festival (July).

CADET MILESTONES

Mitchell Awards

The Gen. Billy Mitchell Award marks completion of Phase II, the "Leadership Phase" of the Cadet Program. On July 25th, **C2Lt. Niko A. Ruud** earned the Mitchell Award. At right, SE Group Commander Lt. Col. Elizabeth Curry congratulates him on his achievement. Ruud joined Squadron 5 in May 2004. Also receiving the Mitchell Award this year were **Cadets Kyle D. Ackerman, Benjamin C. Unger** (May 18th) and **Breanne E. Selear** (October 17th).



Earhart Awards

The Amelia Earhart Award marks completion of Phase III, the "Command Phase" of the Cadet Program. On May 18th, **CCpt. Joshua Just** received this award. In December, he completed requirements for his Pilot Solo license. He joined our Squadron in September 2002.



On Their Way

Last June, **CTSgt. Jane M. Paar** (left) graduated from Wauwatosa East High School and this fall, attended Vermont Academy, a foundation program for the U.S. Naval Academy at Annapolis. She hopes to secure a career in the Marine Corps. Cadet Paar joined CAP in April 2005.



1Lt. Chrystin A. Gaa, a former Squadron 5 cadet officer (lower left), graduated from Marquette University with a BS in Nursing and a US Army commission via ROTC. She completed the Army Officer Basic Leadership Course and serving as a nurse at Madigan Army Medical Center at Fort Lewis in Washington State.

After graduation from high school last June, **CSSgt. Tristan Weber** enlisted in the 128th Air National Guard, where he's an Airman 1st Class.

Welcome Cadets!

The following cadets joined Squadron 5 in 2007 and entered Phase I, the "Learning Phase" of the Cadet Program:

Samuel T. Aten	Eric C. Martin	Eric R. Richardson
Jake P. DiSalvo	Morgan J. Murphy	Roman Ruud
Veronica Heckman	Chad L. Nowak	Christian Tipton
Daniel G. Kroll	Chinedu P. Ozodi	David J. Ushakow

Where are you going?

Chances are, wherever you're headed, the Civil Air Patrol Cadet Program can help you get there.

For more information, contact:

What's Coming Up?

In 2008, Milwaukee Composite Squadron #5 will continue to meet every Wednesday night at 6:45pm, in Building 301 at the 400th TAW, 300 E. College Ave. Exciting activities have been planned also:

19 January	National Cadet Special Activities Interviews	DMA Building, Madison
22 January	SE Group Cadet Advisory Council Meeting	NG Armory, Waukesha
1-3 February	Cadet Officer School	TBA
16 February	Wisconsin Wing Cadet Advisory Council Meeting	DMA Building, Madison
26 February	SE Group Cadet Advisory Council Meeting	NG Armory, Waukesha
8-9 March	Wisconsin Wing Cadet Competition	DMA Building, Madison
23 March	Easter	
25 March	SE Group Cadet Advisory Council Meeting	NG Armory, Waukesha
29 March	Wisconsin Wing Military Ball	War Memorial, Milwaukee
19 April	Wisconsin Wing Cadet Advisory Council Meeting	DMA Building, Madison
22 April	SE Group Cadet Advisory Council Meeting	NG Armory, Waukesha
30 April	Squadron #5 Open House	440 th TAW, Mitchell Field
23-25 May	(Dan) JansenFest	Konkol Park, Greenfield
26 May	Memorial Day (celebrated)	
27 May	SE Group Cadet Advisory Council Meeting	NG Armory, Waukesha
14 June	Wisconsin Wing Cadet Advisory Council Meeting	DMA Building, Madison
21-22 June	SE Group CADEX	Kettle Moraine
24 June	SE Group Cadet Advisory Council Meeting	NG Armory, Waukesha
4 July	Independence Day	
11-13 July	South Shore Frolics	Bay View
18-20 July	St. Veronica's Festival	Milwaukee
19-24 July	Operation Patriot	TBA
22 July	SE Group Cadet Advisory Council Meeting	NG Armory, Waukesha
TBA	Wisconsin Wing Summer Encampment	Volk Field, Camp Douglas
31 Jul - 4 Aug	EAA Precautionary SAR	Oshkosh
16 August	Wisconsin Wing Cadet Advisory Council Meeting	DMA Building, Madison
26 August	SE Group Cadet Advisory Council Meeting	NG Armory, Waukesha
12-14 Sep.	Aerospace Education Weekend	EAA Facility, Oshkosh
23 September	SE Group Cadet Advisory Council Meeting	NG Armory, Waukesha
18 October	Wisconsin Wing Cadet Advisory Council Meeting	DMA Building, Madison
28 October	SE Group Cadet Advisory Council Meeting	NG Armory, Waukesha
29 October	Squadron #5 Party	Building 301
8 November	Veterans Day Parade	Milwaukee
11 November	Veterans Day	
25 November	SE Group Cadet Advisory Council Meeting	NG Armory, Waukesha
27 November	Thanksgiving	
13 December	Wreaths Across America	Wood National Cemetery
20 December	Wisconsin Wing Cadet Advisory Council Meeting	DMA Building, Madison
25 December	Christmas	