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Let's make 2009 our best year ever

New Year greetings to all of you! May our efforts in the coming year be BLESSED! I hope your resolution is to offer more energy to the DFW Wing in the coming year.

Wing Leader



Col. Charlie Wood

We will have many opportunities coming our way and you are the only one that can assure that we take advantage of them all. Please start planning now for Winter Staff Conference, Summer Staff Conference, our own Warbirds

on Parade, ACAHOF, Save the Girls, AIR-SHO, and all the airshows and fly-ins we will be attending. As a TEAM we will make it all a success!

FYI, we hold all our meetings on the 2nd Saturday of each month...we start at noon with a pot luck lunch, Staff meeting at 1:00PM and Membership meeting at 2:00PM. We only changed this schedule once last year. Please attend.

Winter maintenance is in full swing at the hangar on all planes, helicopter, gun turret, jeeps, equipment, hangar, etc. We are looking

for YOU every Saturday morning...you have a skill and talent that you can serve the Wing with, we are asking for your time!

The Commemorative Air Force website (www.commemorativeairforce.org) has been updated. Please log on and become familiar. You should keep your personal info (email or home address, phone, name, etc.) updated with HQ by this site or by phone.

On the subject of RECRUITING, printed in your DISPATCH every month is a Commemorative Air Force membership application.

Please cut this out and carry it in your wallet or purse and become a recruiter. An easier way is to use the toll free number (1-877-767-7175) on the application, call HQ Monday-Friday and ask for membership.

Your applicant can sign up using their credit card. Be sure to have your name on the application or have your applicant mention your name as the recruiter when signing up over the phone.

Applicants can sign up over the CAF website (commemorativeairforce.org) and must type your name in the comments so you can get credit for your recruitment effort.

We all must start recruiting. Nationally only 193 CAF members have signed up a new recruit in 2008, only 54 of those have signed up

more than 1 new member. Nationally we lose 1600 members per year and sign up an average of 750.

Folks, do the math...we must all become a RECRUITER for the long term survival of the CAF! For 2008 the DFW Wing is neck to neck with another unit for Unit Recruiting Award, and the Individual Recruiting Award.

I hope you join this worthy effort for the 2009 recruiting year...the CAF and the DFW Wing is depending on you!

RECRUIT and RETAIN!

Member Needs

Please keep the following members and their families in your thoughts and prayers:

Col. David Verver

Col. James M. "Andy" Anderson

Col. Chuck Horner

Lefty Gardner family

Dues

We voted in January 2008 to raise our Wing dues to \$60. If you have not paid yours, please send a check payable to: DFW Wing CAF

Send checks to:

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Feedback is needed from all our members

STILL WAITING.....to hear from you as requested in my December blurb. So far, I've not received or noted a short article of anything from the general membership. I suppose everyone is very satisfied with the Wing and Staff performance.

Executive Officer



Col. Jerry Wisley

Although Christmas has now breezed by, I wondered if you ever gave any thought to the reason and meanings of "The Twelve Days of Christmas?"

From 1558 until 1829, the Roman Catholics in England were not allowed to practice their faith openly. Someone composed the carol in code form for their children, and followers, to remember the biblical precepts.

"Partridge in a pear tree" denotes Jesus Christ.

"Two turtle doves" were the new and old testaments.

"Three french hens" meaning faith, hope, and love.

"Four calling birds" were the four gospels.

"Five golden rings" was the Torah of Law (first five books of the old testament).

"Six geese a-laying" depicts the six days of creation.

"Seven swans a-swimming" were the seven gifts of the Holy Spirit (Prophesy, Serving, Teaching, Exhortation, Contribution, Leadership and Mercy).

"Eight maids a-milking" represents the Beatitudes. (i.e. Blessed are the poor in spirit, Blessed are the). For all, read Matthew 5th Chapter.

"Nine ladies dancing" denoted the fruits of the Holy Spirit. (i.e. Love, Peace, Patience, Kindness, Faithfulness, Gentleness, Self Control).

"Ten lords a-leaping" represents the Ten Commandments.

"Eleven pipers piping" were the eleven faithful disciples.

"Twelve drummers drumming" symbolized the twelve points of belief in the Apostle's Creed.

And that's the rest of the story!!

Remember, January's guest speaker (from last months Propwash). It is Houston James, survivor of the Pearl Harbor attack.

Schedule of Events 2009

Saturday, January 10

Potluck, Staff/Membership meeting

March 5, 6, 7 and 8

CAF Winter Staff Conference. Odessa, TX

September 5

DFW Wing "Warbirds on Parade". It is never too early to start planning for this event. Mark your calendars and let's make 2009 our best show ever!

October 8, 9, 10 and 11

AIRSHO Midland/Odessa

Saturday, November 7

Veteran's Day Fly-Over. Civic Center, Waxahachie, TX

New Members

We welcome 4 new members:

Col. Angela D. Esposito

Joined both the CAF and the DFW Wing.

Cadet Amber M. Wright

Joined both the CAF as a Cadet and the DFW Wing.

Col. Franklin D. Bunch

Joined both the CAF and the DFW Wing.

Col. Brad Stringfellow

Joined both the CAF and the DFW Wing.

Say hello to these new members when you see them!

Hangar Needs

Riding Lawn Mower or donation to the mower fund

Disposable table cloths

Paper towels

Ice, soft drinks, bottled water.

Thanks for all you kind donations!

We need someone to mow and trim weeds around the hangar. We also need a Hangar Deck Officer so please think about volunteering, WE NEED YOU!

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Next Meeting is

Saturday, January 10

Pot Luck Lunch at 12:00pm, Wing Staff Meeting at 1pm
and Wing Membership Meeting at 2pm



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