



MAY 2023 ROCKY MOUNTAIN REGION CAC NEWSLETTER



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Word of the Month:

Resilience (n.)

The ability to bounce back and push through tough times.

Quote of the Month:

“Even though you may lose again and again and again, its not over, until you win! - C/ Maj Spencer Hola

This newsletter is brought to you by the Rocky Mountain Region Cadet Public Affairs Officers.

Colorado Wing:

Cadets from the Parker Composite Squadron launched their model rockets to earn their Model Rocketry badges. Photos courtesy of 1st Lt Kirsten Turner, Parker Composite Squadron Commander.



Congratulations to the following Colorado Wing CAC members on their high school graduation. Their biographies are linked below:

- [C/Capt Lucas Briggs](#)
- [C/Lt Col Makenna Dinkins](#)
- [C/Lt Col Kaden Griffith](#)
- [C/1st Lt Augustus Joshua](#)

Wyoming Wing:

Cadets from the Cheyenne Composite Squadron and Parker Composite Squadron participated in a Radio Operated Egg Hunt to learn about radio communication skills. Photos courtesy of 1st Lt Thyra Nagy, Cheyenne Composite Squadron.



Montana Wing:

Congratulations to Cadet Colonel Gary Grant Petro on earning the General Carl A. Spaatz Award and promoting to the rank of Cadet Colonel. C/Col Petro is currently serving as the Chair of the Rocky Mountain Region CAC. Pictured below is C/Col Petro with Pastor David Halliburton (right) and Frank Scherer (left).



The Flathead Composite Squadron in Kalispell, Montana recently had a change of command from C/Maj Dills to C/1st Lt Patrick Gründler. C/1st Lt Gründler currently serves as the Montana Wing CAC Chair and as Montana Wing's Primary Representative to the Rocky Mountain Region CAC. Congratulations, C/1st Lt Gründler!



Idaho Wing:

Cadets from the Nampa Composite Squadron built gliders to learn about airfoils and the forces of flight. C/CMSgt Jonas Parsons also taught a class on model rocketry by having the cadets build and operate hydrogen-powered pipette rockets. Photos courtesy of SM Mark Stelluto, Nampa Composite Squadron.



C/Capt Joshua DaShiell, C/TSgt Michael Alvey and C/A1C Jackson Cooper of the Nampa Composite Squadron flew Cessna aircraft during their Orientation Flights this past weekend. Credit for both photos go to Lt Col Jeffrey Aebischer.



C/CMSgt Gabriela Faraino, C/Amn Nancy Makimoto and C/SrA Jayden Ibarra flew gliders during their glider Orientation Flights this past weekend. Photo credit goes to 2d Lt Pamela Faraino.



Utah Wing:

On June 3, 2023, C/2d Lt Preston Fenton, C/A1C Keegan Fife, C/A1C Alexandra Hyde, C/Amn Charlotte Walston along with 8 other cadets had a great time flying gliders in Nephi, Utah. Photos courtesy of 1st Lt Curtis Walston.

