

# JUNE 2023 ROCKY MOUNTAIN REGION CAC NEWSLETTER: URMR EDITION!



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#### Word of the Month:

Accountability (n.)

An acceptance of responsibility for honest and ethical conduct towards others.

#### **Quote of the Month:**

"Failing to hold someone accountable is ultimately an act of selfishness." - *Patrick Lencioni* 

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### **University of the Rocky Mountain Region Overview**

From 19 - 29 June 2023, CAP cadets and senior members gathered at the United States Air Force Academy in Colorado Springs, Colorado, to learn about leadership and cyber operations. Cadets had a blast growing their leadership and cyber skills in and out of the classroom, while senior members became strategic leaders through their Level IV and V training. Pictured is the URMR Class of 2023 with CAP senior leaders.



## **Region Cadet Leadership School (RCLS): Transforming Followers into Leaders**

One of the many educational opportunities at URMR was the Region Cadet Leadership School (RCLS.) Cadets learned public speaking, writing, ethics, team leadership, and more through an academically rigorous 10-day course. Cadets learned from many guest speakers, including former CAP cadet and USAFA graduate Col (ret.) Kim Campbell, USAF. A 24-year Air Force veteran, she flew over 100 combat missions in Iraq and Afghanistan in the A-10 Warthog and led the 355th Operations Support Squadron and the 612th Theater Operations Group. She believes that leaders earn trust by leading with courage and putting service before self. Pictured is Col Campbell with URMR attendees and CAP leadership.





In addition, cadets learned valuable lessons from Gen (ret.) Stephen Lorenz, USAF. A 1973 Air Force Academy graduate, General Lorenz was the former commander of Air Education and Training Command, and previously led at the squadron, group, and wing levels throughout his 37-year Air Force career. He believes that resiliency, critical thinking and teamwork are crucial to leadership success.



The RCLS engaged in many hands-on challenges that developed teamwork and critical thinking, The Rocky Mountain Region Commander, Col Jason Hess, and RMR Vice Commander, Col Alisha Cope, took their hands at the USAFA ropes course, proving that senior leaders work together as a team every day.



Finally, six former RCLS graduates grew their leadership skills by serving on cadet staff as seminar leaders. These outstanding cadets shared knowledge and wisdom to the students, all while developing leadership skills.



# **Cyberspace Advanced Administration Course: Developing the Future**

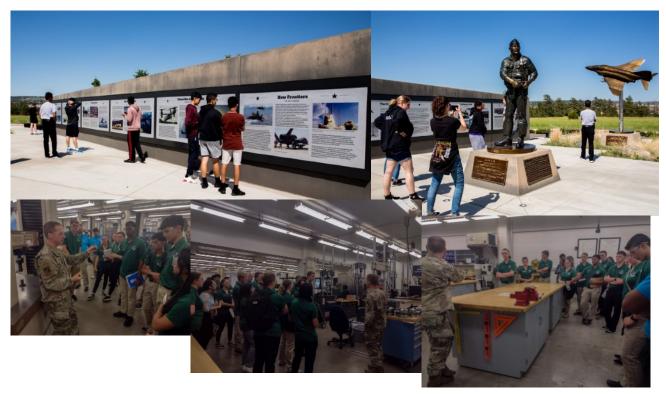
22 Cyberspace Advanced Administration Course graduates learned about the future of America's military: cyberspace. They learned about cyber operations, security, and defense through classroom instruction, teambuilding exercises, and hands-on learning.



Cadets also had the once in a lifetime opportunity to learn about strategic cybersecurity operations at the National Cybersecurity Center.



However, the course wasn't all cyber. Cadets toured the Air Force Academy's displays and wind tunnel to learn more about engineering.



While the Cyberspace Advanced Administration Course was challenging, cadets had a great time learning about the future of our military. Pictured is the Cyberspace Advanced Administration Course Class of 2023.



## **Professional Development Level IV and V Courses: Developing Strategic Leaders**

URMR wasn't all about cadet leadership education, as senior members learned about strategic leadership. Seven senior members learned about team dynamics, management, and indirect leadership through their Level IV training course.



Senior members who have already completed their Level IV went on to complete their final level of Professional Development Training: Level V. 17 senior members got one step closer to earning their Gill Robb Wilson award and learned even more about critical thinking, leading at the strategic level and developing followers into leaders of character.



#### **URMR Graduation**

The University of the Rocky Mountain Region culminated with the graduation ceremony. Many distinguished guests, including RMR Commander, Col Jason Hess and Civil Air Patrol Vice Commander, Brig Gen Regena Aye congratulated the URMR Class of 2023 for their hard work, and determination. Credit for all photos go to the URMR Public Affairs Staff.

