## AE: Feeling the Pressure? (Air pressure that is!)

Maj James Zurales

Be dazzled with eye-catching, thought-provoking Air Pressure Experiments with MN Wing Asst. Aerospace Education Officer Maj Jim Zurales. He'll also pass along some great ideas for interesting and exciting AE activities for your squadron. The session will be capped off with a review of some of the responsibilities and options for AE Officers such as AEX, AEMs, and reporting.

## How to Build a Winning Color Guard Cadet Competition Program \*\*

St Cloud Team (2023 Wing CG)

The 2023 MNWG Color Guard team from St Cloud Squadron will share actionable tips and strategies to build a successful competition team program at your squadron.

## Cadet Commander & Cadet Exec Crash Course \*\*

C/Capt Ben Olson; C/1stLt Massan Slimani; Maj Kim Scales

Do you want to serve your squadron as a Cadet Commander? Or be on Cadet Executive Staff? This seminar will serve as a "crash course" for current, new, and up-and-coming Cadet Executive Staff members so you can feel better prepared for your term.

### Chaplain

Chaplain (Lt Col) Jill Holm & Chaplain (Lt Col) Donald Mikitta

Chaplains, CDI's and Commanders are encouraged to attend this session to learn about new offerings and best practices for these specialty tracks.

## ES: Droning On-MNWG sUAS

Lt Col Tom Fitzhenry

Come and get updated on MN Wing's sUAS program. Information will be available on our operators, fleet and past missions. We will explain how you can get your squadron involved and earn your sUAS wings.

### **ES: CALTOPO**

Capt Nik Vivier & Maj Nash Pherson

Please join us to learn about Minnesota's newest software addition to help manage ground teams and mission planning on live searches. During this session we will cover how your squadron can get access to the software to train with during your units UBXs this summer and fall. We will also cover how to use core features like team assignments, signing-in resources, ground team tracking, and more. Please join us if you are interested in Emergency Services to learn more about this new and exciting software we have added for the wing.

### **OPS:** CAP Pilot Paperwork - The price of flight:

Capt Greg Bestul

Come to this session to learn what funded flying is available, and how you can take advantage of it. Get tips and best practices for entering information for pilots' operations qualifications, WMIRS, AMRAD, and SSO. Correct entries help avoid becoming "unqualified", "not released" or have your aircraft unnecessarily grounded.

### Safety First, Last, & Always

**Capt David Winters** 

We will be reviewing incidence from the past year and answering questions for Safety Officers and Safety minded officers.

### Cadet Advisory Council: Live Session with the CAC \*\*

C/1stLt Ethan Brewner; 2d Lt Julie Wyatt/CAC Team

What is the CAC? How does it work? What do you do as a CAC representative? Attend this LIVE CAC meeting so you can see the Cadet Advisory Council in action.

## Demystifying SDAs: How Easy It Is! Interactive Session \*\*

Capt Jake Helvick; C/Maj Lake Pringle

This session is ideal for soon-to-be and current cadet officers. Learn how easy the Staff Duty Analysis (SDA) requirements for promotion really are from a former Spaatz cadet. Walk through each of the technical documents with actionable items to help you be successful in this promotion requirement.

## **COMMS: Communications Officer Briefing**

Capt Nik Vivier & 1st Lt Shane Stambaugh

Come learn how to build and grow your squadron's communications program, engage your members, and incorporate radios into your squadron's mission. Learn how the Wing can support you through equipment modernization and training opportunities this year.

### Identifying Tasks Needed to Complete Your Education & Training Levels

Capt Jennifer Kluzak

Did you know that by attending this conference you are completing a task in your Education & Training requirements? In addition to completing modules, there are several tasks to be completed in order to finish each level. This session will review the tasks required at each level and how to provide the documentation required to complete them.

## ES: SHOOT!! We Need YOU—for Aerial Photography

CMSgt Donald Vance

This is a hands-on class that will introduce you to the Nikon D-7200 and Solmeta GPS unit. You will become familiar with basic operation of both camera and GPS Geotagger to prepare you for the Aerial Photography certification. This session will get you signed off on three SQTR items.

#### Historian

Chaplain (Lt Col) Don Mikitta & Capt Heike Dodge

Learn how the CAP History Program serves to systematically collect historical data and prepare accurate, objective, impartial and useful accounts of the organization. This account also covers the development, administration, operations and other features of the Civil Air Patrol and its antecedents at all organizational levels.

### **OPS: What's Up with OPS**

Maj Patrick Woldgram

### Aviation Careers 101 \*\*

Capt Nancy Zimmer

Aviation is more than being the pilot of an airplane. Learn about the different aviation careers that you could pursue in civilian and military life and what you can do as a cadet right now to set yourself up for any successful career in an aviation field.

## How to Earn Your Spaatz Award \*\*

Maj Leslie Seery; C/Col Botkin

Many cadets want to earn the Spaatz Award, but do you know how to cross the finish line? In this session, hear from C/Col Botkin on how to set yourself up for success, what you can do right now to prepare and how to stay on track to reach this goal.

#### **COMMS: Mission Radio Communications**

Capt Sean McClain & Capt Nik Vivier

Join us to learn more about using radios, On-Air language, and communications operations. Get hands-on with the new radios being implemented across the wing and join us in a practice session to sharpen your skills.

## ES: How to Plan a UBX

CMSgt Donald Vance & 1st Lt Cally Jacobson

### **IG:** Prepare for your SUI

Lion Templin

Learn all about the SUI process, schedule, things you must do and the best way to pass your SUI with flying colors! MNWG SUI staff will be on hand to answer all of your questions.

### **OPS: CAP-USAF Evaluations**

Maj Patrick Woldgram

## PA: Social Media and CAP Photographs

Lt Col Janelle Gates

All members are encouraged to attend this session to learn about new developments in social media and what it takes to get pictures published at the local, state and national level.

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## Diversity, Equity, & Inclusion

## Come and meet 1st Sgt Jessica Stiffarm MN Ntl Guard and St Paul Police Officer

Lt Col Bonnie Braun, Lt Michael Johnson

Jessica Stiffarm, a Native American who serves her country in both the National Guard and St. Paul Police. Jessica Stiffarm is currently a first sergeant in the Minnesota National Guard. She's been deployed four times during her 20-year career. In 2023, the St. Paul Police Department promoted Stiffarm, a Native American officer to the rank of sergeant. She currently serves on the St. Paul Police Mobile Field Force team, Honor Guard team, Negotiator team, Women's Leadership Team, and assists the Police Explorers.