



# Western Watch

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## FROM THE HC...

There was no way that I was able to try and condense the 2009 PCR

Chaplain Corps Region Staff College into a couple of pages. So bear with me as this issue of the "Western Watch" (and subsequent issues) have a retrospective feel. Each morning the CCRSC began with an optional devotional time. Wing Chaplains brought meditations that helped to frame our hearts and minds on the day. This issue and the next two will feature the meditations shared by Ch, Franklin Blodgett (AKWG/HC – Committed); Ch, Maj, Annette Arnold-Boyd (ORWG/HCD – Available); and Ch, Maj, Elizabeth Tattersall (NVWG/HC – Prepared).



Ch. Paul Ward

My heartfelt thanks to one of the best staffs I have had the privilege of serving on. Each member went above and beyond in their preparation and performance for this event. And what made this special was the 35 members of the PCR Chaplain Corps (and our adoptee from the RMR) who came for CISM training and for fellowship/networking. Staff and students ... you made it happen. Charlie and I look forward to 2010. So stay tuned as to dates and location.

In Service Together,

*Paul*

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# PCR Chaplains Corps

## PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT



### GROVER LOENING AWARD—LEVEL 3

MAJ R.E. HATFIELD (WAWG) - GROVER LOENING (LEVEL 3)

CAPT PHILIP SNYDER (WAWG) - GROVER LOENING (LEVEL 3)



### PAUL GARBER AWARD—LEVEL 4

MAJ CAROLYN IRBY (NVWG)

Congratulations to all those who have received  
awards and promotions.

We are proud of your accomplishments!!!

## AROUND THE REGION

CAWG – Lt Col Marc Cohen served as a  
Director of the CLC held at Vandenberg AFB, 28-29 March 2009.  
Capt Lani Cahill was a student. Ch, Lt Col, Paul Ward (PCR HC)  
taught 3 sessions in the SLS/CLC.



### SUMMARY OF FORM 34s: July-December 2008

From July through December, the PCR Chaplain Corps personnel participated in 2,706 activities; spent 7,611 hours; traveled 65,916 miles; invested \$38,981.46 in their service to others.

Just a reminder that each Chaplain and Character Development Instructor is required by the CAPR 265-1 to submit a completed Form 34 to their Wing Chaplain, even if they have been inactive during that reporting period, no later than 5 January and 5 July each year.

# Pacific Region Chaplain Corps Logo



You may notice that the Pacific Region Chaplain Service logo has been redesigned. Though much of the original design elements remain the same, there were a couple of tweaks which were done as a result of research into the area of heraldry. Heraldry is defined as "a system in which inherited symbols, or devices, called charges are displayed on a shield, or escutcheon, for the purpose of identifying individuals or families" (<http://www.4crests.com/herdef.html>).

Heraldry dates back to medieval times and was a source of identification in an age of illiteracy. There were 2 basic metals (gold and silver) on which crests were emblazoned. Nine basic colors ("tinctures") were used in the design for shields which knights carried into battle. Each color had significance. Modern day heraldry, likewise, is designed as a way of providing identification and even communicating mission.

The shape selected was the USAF/CAP Command Shield depicting our culture; belonging to the organization. The yellow (or) outline speaks of loyalty to our mission and the honor that is bestowed upon the appointment to the CAP Chaplain Corps.

The crest is that of the USAF/CAP Chaplain Corps. This speaks of our mission. The rays of yellow (or) depict our pursuit of excellence in what we do and the wisdom that is shared to those to whom we serve. The hands of silver (argent) represent charity and faith – that which we offer to those we serve. The field of blue (azure) speaks of devotion and strength. The black (sable) outline depicts dignity and determination. Attributes in which we conduct our service. The banner in white (argent) represents integrity and purity. While based on the CAP motto, "Semper Vigilans", additional words were added to form the motto of the PCR Chaplain Corps: "Semper Vigilans ad Dei Gloriam" ("Always Vigilant for the Glory of God") which reminds us of the "what", the "how" and the "why" of our ministry. These words are in black (sable) as well as the banner's outline. Again signifying the determination and dignity in which we are called and committed to serve. The six stars of blue (azure) and white (argent) represent the six wings that comprise the Pacific Region. Again the colors speak of devotion and integrity. Notice that Wing abbreviations have been removed symbolizing our collective service as a team rather than individual Wings, emphasizing our service together. The crest, stars, and motto are in a field of red (gules) which depicts passion. It is a passion for service to God and to others that motivates us to perform our mission.

Finally, the scroll is a field of blue (azure) and letters of white (argent) that corresponds to the six stars displays our name: Pacific Region Chaplain Corps.

The logo speaks of our culture, our mission and our commitment to serve God in our service to others. That service is done in a spirit of loyalty to one another and in devotion to the One who called us to serve. We do so as people of integrity, in an attitude of vigilance, determined to pursue excellence so that we can provide quality service to others and in doing so, bring glory to God.

# Prosser's Protocol



Greetings,

I would like to encourage you to a witness of God's goodness. Wear your uniform with honor! It is not a right that we have but a privilege.

All senior members, including those who do not meet the standards of wear for an Air Force style uniform for reasons of grooming or weight standards, may wear any of the CAP distinctive uniform. Uniforms must be clean, neat and correct in design and specification, fitted properly, pressed, and in good condition (that is not frayed, worn out, torn, faded, patched, and so forth). Uniform items are to be kept zipped, snapped, or buttoned. When I put my uniform on, a button check is the first thing I do. I have found a couple times that my button had fallen off.

Shoes are to be shined and in good repair. Metallic insignia, badges and other devices, must also be maintained in the proper luster and condition.

## **Proper wear of Men's and Women's Aviator Shirt with Epaulets:**

1. Nameplate: Gray, 3-line CAP nameplate is worn immediately above the right breast pocket.
2. Grade Insignia: Gray CAP epaulet sleeves displaying grade insignia.
3. Tie/Tab: USAF blue tie (males) or CAP blue ties/floppy bow are authorized. Mandatory with long sleeve shirt.
4. CAP Aviation Badges and Specialty Insignia: Worn 1/2 inch above the left breast pocket or 1/2-inch above CAP ribbons. If both an aviation badge and specialty insignia are worn the specialty insignia will be placed 1/2 inch below the aviation badge.
5. CAP Specialty Badges: Worn centered on left breast pocket. Females also have the option of wearing specialty badges 1/2 inch above the pocket (beneath the aviation badge) if they prefer.
6. CAP Command Badge: Worn centered on right breast, 1/2 inch above the nameplate.
7. Worn with gray trousers/skirts/slacks. Footwear, slacks, trousers, or skirt and accessories are the same as prescribed for the CAP blazer combination.
8. AF cardigan with gray epaulet sleeves with grade insignia and without wing/region patch may be worn with this combination only. AF pullover sweater is not authorized.
9. Any civilian outer garments may be worn including the CAP blue embroidered jacket may be worn with this combination.
10. CAP ribbons may be worn centered above the left breast pocket. No military ribbons may be worn.
11. Only the CAP aviation badge and one additional CAP badge are authorized on this uniform. No military badges or devices are authorized.

## **Proper wear of Men's and Women's CAP Blazer Uniform:**

1. CAP Crest: Attached or sewn to the breast pocket or same relative position. The NEC or NB badge may be worn in place of the CAP crest by those authorized to wear these badges.

## PROSSERS PROTOCOL CONT'D...

2. Tie/Floppy Bow: CAP regimental tie/floppy bow, AF blue tie, or CAP blue floppy bow. Mandatory with shirt/blouse with a collar.
3. Nameplate: Black with CAP crest, grade insignia (optional), and state or region. Top edge of nameplate will be worn aligned with top edge of the left breast pocket or 1/2 inch above the CAP crest if blazer has no pocket.
4. Chaplain Insignia: May be worn 1/2 inch above the nameplate.
5. Lapel Pins: One lapel pin, in good taste, may be worn on either lapel of the CAP blazer.
6. The CAP blazer combination with a plain white shirt/blouse and black bow tie or blue floppy bow without name plate and with one miniature medal may be worn on formal occasions, if the member does not have, is not authorized, or prefers not to wear the mess dress uniform. If the medal is worn, it will be centered above the pocket so that bottom portion of medal is 1/2 inch above the CAP crest.

### Proper wear Men's and Women's Knit (Golf) Shirts:

There are three knit shirts authorized for wear for men and women. They are:

1. Dark blue knit shirt with embroidered CAP seal on the right breast and embroidered name and aeronautical rating or specialty badge on the left breast.
2. Dark blue knit shirt with embroidered seal on the right breast, without the name or rating on left breast.
3. Dark blue knit shirt with the CAP seal screen-printed in white lettering on left breast.
4. CAP knit shirts are worn with gray trousers or slacks

The above is taken from chapter 4 of the CAPM 39-1

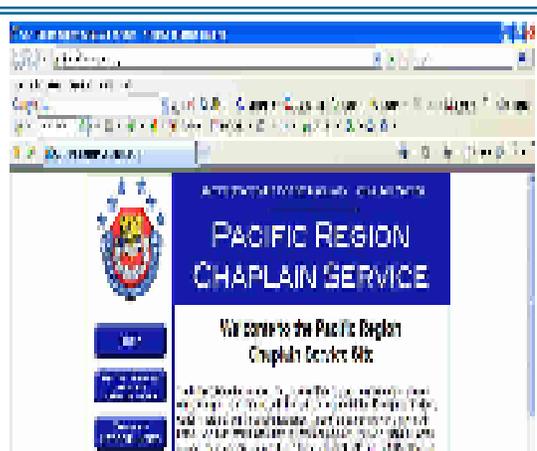
I want to make myself available for any question you may have. Please don't hesitate to email me at [DProsser14@yahoo.com](mailto:DProsser14@yahoo.com). Let's continue making the Pacific Region Chaplain Corps the best looking in the Nation!

Blessings,

*Debbie*

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A new page has been added to the Pacific Region Chaplain Corps web-site. On ***"RESOURCES AND DOWNLOADS"*** (<http://hc.pcr.cap.gov/resources.html>), you will find materials submitted by members of the PCR Chaplain Corps. If you have any resources that you would like to share with your colleagues, please submit them to Chaplain Ward.



## "Why attend a CCRSC? Lt Col Pat Okawa - CDI



I have just returned from the PCR CCSC held at McCord AFB near Seattle, WA. There were 36 Chaplains and Character Development Instructors in attendance. Six attended for the first time.

The curriculum for this college was CISM Group Intervention taught by LTC Sam Bernard from National HQ. Many were drawn to attend by this opportunity for Critical Incident Stress Management training. It was a method for some of us to become more professional and offer more to CAP. But there was so much more!

The Wing Chaplains from Alaska, Nevada, California, Oregon (Deputy) and Washington were there to speak with the members of their wings- one on one. Usually, we meet only briefly at our Wing Conferences. Here, we had four days to network and learn how others perform their duty.

In addition, the newly appointed Pacific Region Chaplain, Lt Col, Paul Ward, was there to speak from his perspective. He shared about the significance of the newly designed logo for the Pacific Region Chaplain Corps.

We also received a briefing from our new Chief of CAP Chaplain Corps, Col, Whit Woodard. He also brought us greetings from Maj Gen Amy Courter, our National Commander. She has time and time again has expressed her appreciation for the service we provide to our units. Chaplain Woodard encouraged the CDIs with news that though the name has changed, the job remains the same: instructing our cadets. Also the badge will have the MLO removed, but otherwise will be the same. By the way, Chaplain Woodard is the former PCR Chaplain.

Our Pacific Region Commander, Col Ernie Pearson, spoke at our graduation luncheon. How many of you have attended a PCR Conference that is held every two years? We often don't have that opportunity to participate in that event, but Col Pearson came to us to congratulate the class of 2009! Fantastic!

For some of us, attending enabled us to renew friendships with old friends from earlier CCRSCs and to mark the passing of colleagues. We also made new friends, including a colleague from CO. Despite the rain and hours of class work, the sharing of good food and companionship rounded out the four days.

I returned home refreshed and reinvigorated to do the job. Please plan on attending next year. The time is well-spent and the rewards are many.



## COMMITTED TO GO FOR THE PRIZE Chaplain (Maj) Franklin Blodgett – AKWG HC



Our handout for the 2009 Pacific Region Chaplain Service Staff College defines “Committed” as “taking the time...spending the money ...using their skill-sets and talents to assist those in their local communities and the nation through participation in the three-fold mission of Civil Air Patrol” Is this definition biblical? Can we grab hold of it as chaplains?

Listen to 1 Cor. 9:17 from the NIV Bible: *“If I preach voluntarily, I have a reward; if not voluntarily, I am simply discharging the trust committed to me.”* The NLT reads this way: *“If I were doing this of my own free will, then I would deserve payment. But God has chosen me and given me this sacred trust, and I have no choice.”* Now listen to how this verse is translated in the Message: *“If this was my own idea of just another way to make a living, I’d expect some pay. But since it’s [not] my idea but something solemnly entrusted to me, why would I expect to get paid?”* Sounds like a CAP chaplain to me.

The average athlete in the Olympics - male or female - spends at least 6 hours each day working out. We will come back to this illustration in our study of 1 Corinthians 9. In this chapter Paul ends with an illustration from the Olympics of that day. I want us to read Paul's illustration and then back track and work our way through the chapter verse by verse knowing where Paul is headed with his argument. Look at the last four verses of the chapter 9.

Pastor Kenneth Chafin tells about the boy who was asked, “What do you want to be when you grow up?” The boy said, “I’d like to be a returning missionary.” He wanted to skip the 4 year bachelor degree. He wanted to skip the Master degree in Missiology. He wanted to skip the home service. He wanted to skip the language training. He even wanted to skip the hard and sometimes dangerous work on foreign soil. He just wanted to enjoy the honor and respect that comes to a returning missionary. Is that you - you want the blessings, but you don't want to do what is need to be a blessing? Let us now backup to verses one and two in chapter 9.

Paul is claiming his authority to teach the Corinth Christians what he has already taught in the first eight chapters. Let us put these two verses (.1-2) through the mirror of the last four verses (.24-27) in this chapter and we come up with **COMMITMENT REQUIRES DISCIPLINE (9:1-2; 24-27)**.

Paul was free but he didn't use his freedom as an excuse to sin, or as an excuse to lazy or as an opportunity to make his financial fortune. Paul words and his message matched. He could say do as I do. Do you practice what you preach?

**COMMITMENT USUALLY INVOLVES THE GIVING UP OF CERTAIN PRIVILEGES OR RIGHTS (9:3-15).** Pretend you are an Olympic swimmer. You taste chlorine – you smell like chlorine. It seems like your life is looking at the bottom of some pool. While others play - you train. While others date – you train. While others eat what they want - you eat what your trainer says. While others take a vacation from their work - you still train. You have the same rights as your friends, but you lay them aside for the sake of making the Olympic team and hopefully winning a medal for your country.

Paul is saying - he has certain rights. He has the right to eat what he wants - he is free from dietary rules and regulations of the Jews and the Gentiles. He has the right to be married to a believing Wife. Lastly he has the right to receive a salary from the churches he served.

## Chaplain Blodgett cont'd...

Paul is not saying in the giving up of these rights that his life should be considering the norm for pastors, evangelists, Bible teachers and missionaries. In fact he make an argument the other way with the strongest argument being the fact that those in the church ministers should be paid. He has least five arguments on why he should receive money for his ministry.

1. The first is because of his calling - he was called and sent by the Lord himself.
2. The second reason he should be paid is that it is known fact in society that one is rewarded for their work - such as a soldier being paid by his government or a herdsman drinking milk from his animals or one in charge of vineyard being able to eat some of the fruit. Warren W. Wiersbe speculates that, "Perhaps... Paul was comparing the church to an army, a vineyard, and a flock."
3. Thirdly Paul quotes Deut 25:4 to show that laborer should share in the benefits of the harvest. Paul had sowed God's Word in Corinth and had reaped a harvest of souls and as such he had the right to enjoy some of the material blessing.
4. Fourthly. Paul points out that in the temple - the priest and the Levites lived off the sacrifices, offerings and special tithes.
5. Lastly, or fifthly, Paul pointed out that Jesus taught that a laborer is worthy of his hire. Paul refused support from the Corinthian church to get it going as a strategy for this church plant situation. When he planted the church in Thessalonica he did receive support from the Philippians church so he would have more time for outreach.

Paul is pointing out to the Corinthians this principle of discipline - of being committed - of self-sacrifice - for the greater cause. He is also teaching the need to have priorities in your spiritual walk with the Lord. What is your priority? Is self or is Christ? Many a saint gives up something for the cause of the kingdom.

**COMMITMENT PROVIDES ITS OWN REWARD (9:16-18).** The Olympic swimmer - the Olympic runner - the Olympic weight lifter - etc all experience rewards as they train and they see their time improve. Their strength increases.

Paul says the same discipline that is required of a gold medal athlete is required of him in his Christian efforts, but there are constant rewards along the way. Paul says one of his rewards is his sense of fulfillment in doing what God has called him to do without any outside motive. A little bit like the student who gets good grades just for the satisfaction of getting the good grades and pleasing his or her parents in contrast to the student who is rewarded monetarily by the parent for each A on the report card.

**COMMITMENT REQUIRES SERVANTHOOD (9:19-23)** - This is the one point that doesn't stand up as well with the athletic illus., yet in team sports one may play a position one doesn't like as well or one that receives fewer honors for the sake of the team. Paul is saying that he is willing to play any position for the sake of the gospel.

Paul had the freedom to cross the religious barriers between the Jewish culture and the Gentile Culture. He used his Jewish background and knowledge to reach the Jews, but he also used the freedom he in Christ to reach the Gentiles. He was free to love all those "whosoever" that Christ died for, whether Greek or Jew, whether slave or free, whether male or female. It is not easy serving - it is not easy being the servant of all. Being a servant means doing hard work for others. Being a servant means that others may get the prestige - the honor. Being a servant means we get rid of our pride or self-centeredness for the sake of others. Paul was a people lover - he loved those whom Christ had died for. Because he loved he didn't let cultural or religious differences keep him from his task.

## Chaplain Blodgett...

In the CAP there is diversity - diversity in race - diversity in education - diversity in age – diversity in professions - diversity in family incomes - diversity in the ethnic groups represented - diversity in religious backgrounds.

We need to be able to minister to all kinds of people - not just those like us. It takes commitment - it will take discipline, hard work, servanthood, and personal sacrifice of rights for us to continue to grow and to do that entire God wants to be accomplished as a CAP Chaplain or Character Development Instructor.

I just want to read how Eugene Peterson paraphrases verses 24 & 25. *"You've all been to the stadium and seen the athletes race. Everyone runs; one wins. Run to win. All good athletes train hard. They do it for a gold medal that tarnishes and fades. You're after one that's gold eternally. I don't know about you, but I'm running hard for the finish line. I'm giving it all I've got. No sloppy living for me!"*

How about it Chaplain - CDI? Are you giving it all you got? Are you running to win - or just running? Are you in training, or just trying to get by with doing as little as possible for the Lord?

[To see all pictures] <http://secure.smilebox.com/ecom/openTheBox?sendevent=4f4463304e4441334d513d3d0d0a&sb=1>

