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From the Region Chaplain ...



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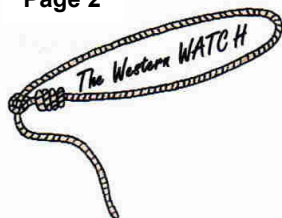
A few weeks ago, Nan and I went to see the movie *"Lincoln"*. This is a must see movie. And I agree with Col Ken Parris' posting on my Facebook wall when I mentioned in my status that we had seen it: *"'Lincoln' is an exceptional movie honoring a tremendous man."* I am not going to go into great detail as to the plot of the movie --- don't want to spoil it for you.

However, the movie touches on several items of interest for members of the Civil Air Patrol Chaplain Corps (as well as CAP members and frankly, anyone who seeks to lead others): ethical decision-making, teamwork (the movie draws a lot of its material from the book *"Team of Rivals: The Political Genius of Abraham Lincoln"* written by historian Doris Kearns Goodwin and published in 2005), standing on and for one's convictions, personal relationships, staying focused, maintaining balance, facing challenges and the list could on.

Without a doubt Abraham Lincoln is held with great esteem and respect by all Americans. Prior to attending the 2012 National Conference in Baltimore, I took advantage of the opportunity of being on the Eastern seaboard and spent a couple of days touring the sights of Washington D.C. Spending time in the Lincoln Memorial was simply moving. To read the notable speeches engraved on the walls, to see the magnificent statue, to hear the ranger share of the significances of the statue and the structure is something that I will never forget (here is a link to give you a feel of this wonderful monument:

<http://www.nps.gov/featurecontent/ncr/linc/interactive/deploy/index.htm#/introduction>. This monument simply captures the greatness of Abraham Lincoln - the 16th president of the United States

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(CONT'D From the Region Chaplain...)

In the movie *"Lincoln"*, there is a scene where a private conversation between Thaddeus Stevens and President Lincoln takes place. The Congressman challenges the President's ethical grounding and his commitment to the morally correct answer. Lincoln uses the brilliant metaphor of a compass. I don't have the exact words but here's what I best recall was said. *"A compass points to true north,"* says Lincoln, *"but it gives no indication of the swamps and marshes along the way. If you just use the compass you will get stuck, and what use is knowing true north if you are drowned in a swamp?"*

Upon reflecting on my visit to the Lincoln Memorial and viewing the movie *"Lincoln"*, it got me thinking about personal greatness -- be it an American president or an American citizen (includes members of CAP). Our organization has adopted Integrity, Volunteer Service, Excellence and Respect as our Core Values (CAPP 50-2). In fact, these Core Values are referred to as the *"basic tenets [which] form CAP's ethical centerline -- a moral compass for the organization."* I came to the conclusion that personal greatness is not reserved for presidents but can be achieved by anyone who pursues it. In a nutshell, I would say that personal greatness comes from maintaining one's personal integrity -- especially when tromping around the swamps and/or through marshes along the way. You may have to adjust the course of travel to avoid potentially "dangerous" situations....but it is true north of our moral compass that will get us to the final destination.

In Service Together,

Paul

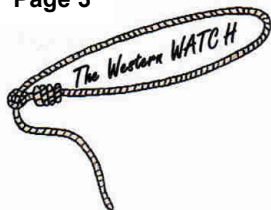
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Recommended reading:

Lincoln on Leadership: Executive Strategies for Tough Times
Donald T. Phillips Warner Books

This book is well written and will appeal to a very wide range of readers, including but not limited to Lincoln scholars and those interested in leadership. Readers who are interested in history, business, politics and those who just like well-written prose should enjoy this book. As the title states, this book is about Lincoln's leadership style. He is portrayed as a paradigm of an effective leader. The book covers topics such as: his interactions with people, his character, his decisiveness, and his immense skills as a communicator. Each chapter covers a different facet of leadership and how Lincoln typified this feature. At the end of each chapter there is brief discussion of how this applies to current day business and politics. There is also a brief summary list of Lincoln's principles discussed in that chapter. The book itself is brief and you can learn a lot from the way that Lincoln interacted with and led people during the most trying time in America's history.



INTERIM WAWG CHAPLAIN APPOINTED Ch, Maj Dave Franklin

Ch, Major Dave Franklin was appointed to serve as the WAWG HC in October of 2012 for an interim period.

Chaplain Dave Franklin was the Senior Pastor of Wellington Assembly of God church in Wellington Kansas when a former college classmate and flight instructor introduced him to the Civil Air Patrol. *"CAP seemed to a great place to minister with those who loved to fly and also serve as a Chaplain."* Dave first came to the local CAP meetings in 1985 and officially joined shortly afterward and became a Mission Pilot and Chaplain. The love for flying and the call to minister have given purpose to the mission of CAP.



Ch, Maj Dave Franklin

Chaplain Franklin graduated from Central Bible College in Springfield, MO and attended the Assemblies of God Theological Seminary. He has pastored in Kansas, Montana and served on ministry staffs in Texas and Colorado. For many years he has served on the National Executive Committee for Royal Rangers, which is an international boys' ministry specializing in 'Mentoring future Men'. Preaching at boys camps across the nation and around the world has been a great ministry and joy for him.

His professional development achievements within Civil Air Patrol include a Master's Rating in the Chaplain Specialty Track, Senior rating in Operations and the Gill Rob Wilson Award (#2920). He was twice named the WAWG Chaplain of the Year, Pacific Region Chaplain of the Year and National Squadron Chaplain of the Year for 2011. Chaplain Franklin also serves as a Mission Pilot, Mission Observer, Mission Scanner, Mission Chaplain and has earned the General Charles "Chuck" Yeager Award in Aerospace Education and holds a Counter Drug rating in Emergency Services. Dave also serves as the Professional Development Officer for the Legislative Squadron in Washington State.

Dave and his wife, Becky, have been married since 1980 and have five children and seven grandchildren. Since 1990 Chaplain Franklin has retired from pastoral ministry and now continues to serve as camp speaker and Training Director with Royal Rangers also serves as the President of a nationally recognized Architectural and Engineering firm based in Yakima WA. He leads a staff of dedicated professionals in the design of food manufacturing and distribution facilities and is widely traveled.

NEWLY REVISED CAPR 265-1 RELEASED

(Be sure to download it for your personal use)

http://www.capmembers.com/media/cms/R265_001_538BD6B239386.pdf



NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS CIVIL AIR PATROL

CAP REGULATION 265-1

19 DECEMBER 2012

Chaplain Corps Activities

THE CIVIL AIR PATROL CHAPLAIN CORPS



CHANGE OF LEADERSHIP IN THE ORWG CHAPLAIN CORPS

During the recent Oregon Wing Conference a “Change of Command” took place. Col Brian Bishop completed his full-term as Commander and Col John Longley assumed command of the Oregon Wing.

Ch, Lt Col Randy Potter had served as ORWG HC since 2008 and with the change of command felt it would be appropriate for the new commander to select a chaplain of his choice to serve on Wing Staff.

At the Wing Conference, Col John Longley appointed Ch, Lt Col Charlie Sattgast to serve as the ORWG HC.

Chaplain Sattgast comes to the chaplaincy with a varied ministry background. He is endorsed by the Foursquare Church, and has served over the years as a senior pastor, associate pastor, worship pastor, and children's pastor. He is currently serving as an assisting minister in his local church, The Oregon Community.

Charlie has been in CAP since 2001, and, in addition to his Chaplain master rating, holds a senior rating in Cadet Programs. He earned the Gill Robb Wilson Award (#2497) in 2007.



Ch, Lt Col Charlie Sattgast

Charlie serves as chaplain at Columbia Composite Squadron in Portland, Oregon, and is active in Emergency Services as a mission chaplain in addition to seven other ES specialties. He previously served as Oregon Wing Chaplain from 2005 to 2008, and Deputy Pacific Region Chaplain from October 2008 to March 2011. Charlie has served at the National Cadet Competition and National Staff College in the Chaplain role.

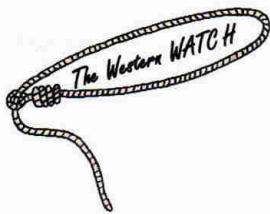
Charlie has a master's degree from Multnomah Biblical Seminary, and is currently working on a doctoral degree in leadership development at Bethel Seminary, San Diego. Charlie and his wife, Linda, have two adult children, and live in Portland, Oregon.



Ch, Maj Marvin Owen

Chaplain, Major Marvin Owen was tapped by Chaplain Sattgast to serve as the ORWG HCD. He transferred to the Oregon Wing in August 2012, having moved to Florence where he now serves as senior pastor of the First Baptist Church. Chaplain Owen was previously squadron chaplain, professional development officer and assistant aerospace education officer for the 492nd Emergency Services Composite Squadron in Casper, Wyoming and deputy wing chaplain for the Wyoming Wing. He now serves as chaplain, professional development officer and assistant aerospace education officer for the Mahlon-Sweet Composite Squadron Eugene. In 2012 he was chaplain and an instructor for the M. K. Smith / Evergreen Aviation Business Academy in McMinnville.

Chaplain Owen is currently qualified as mission chaplain, mission scanner, mission observer and has the Emergency Services patch. He has been encampment chaplain, completed Level 3 of the professional development program and was awarded the life-saving and CAP achievement awards. Owen is married to Sue, his wife of 38 years. The couple has two grown sons (one a military pilot and one an optometrist), two daughters-in-law and five grandchildren. He is excited about the opportunities to serve with CAP in Oregon and the Pacific Region.



COMMENTARY BY THE REGION CHAPLAIN

As members of the Chaplain Corps, we know that we live in a wicked and depraved world. But who would have thought that on the morning of December 14th 2012 a lone gunman, for unknown reasons, would enter a school and within a few short minutes massacre 20 kindergarteners, their teachers after killing two other staff members (the principal and school psychologist) who attempted to stop him. Though we are on the other side of the country, the initial shock, and the pain and sorrow felt in Newtown, Connecticut who mourned the murder of 20 children and six adults impacted all of us.

In my workplace, the Obispo Sheriff's Office, was obvious. People what had happened Thoughts were with responders, the scene investigators in thinking about their grandchildren. Like myself going into talking to others who fallout of this tragic

This only affirmed that CCRSC is not only The courses that Morison will be very heart of incidents shootings.

While CISM will be first-responders, enforcement coroners,,,what about Newtown and those in who were impacted. debrief and defuse

involved in such incidents, however the courses of "Psychological and Spiritual First Aid" are definitely tools that we should also have in our Chaplain Corps personnel toolbox.

In this world, we never know what will happen next. We need to be prepared and ready to serve no matter what crisis our CAP members and yes, members of our communities face.

County of San Luis the disbelief and grief could not speak of without tearing up. families, the first coroners and crime Newtown -- as well as own children and many of you, I found "crisis" mode and were dealing with the event.

the content of the 2013 appropriate but timely. Chaplain, Capt Mike presenting touch at the such as the Newtown

conducted for all the members of the law community, and the citizens of our local communities CISM is a great tool to those who are directly



WELCOME ABOARD!!!

Maj Malcolm Ching – HIWG
Capt David Harmon – ORWG
2nd Lt Robert McMillion – CAWG





Congratulations are in order to Maj Nancy Woodard....

Recently Nancy completed her studies and was awarded the Doctorate of Education from Great Plains Baptist University.

Her dissertation was entitled, *"The Sound of Learning."*

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Maj Nancy Woodard

In the month of November, a cadet in Northern California took his life and Chaplain, Lt Col Richard Nelson (CAWG HC) provided support to the squadron which the cadet was a member. He attended the memorial service with the family, friends and members of the CAP. In the days that followed, Chaplain Nelson participated in a Veterans Day parade with the squadron and facilitated a Character Development session during the squadron meeting. This "ministry of presence" was greatly appreciated by the squadron and played an important part of the healing process for the squadron.



Ch, Lt Col Richard Nelson (CAWG HC) with members of Squadron 19 prior to the Veterans Day parade in Marysville



SOME USEFUL ITEMS FOR THE CHAPLAIN CORPS PERSONNEL "TOOL BOX"

Dealing With Grief: Five Things NOT To Say And Five Things To Say In A Trauma Involving Children
http://www.huffingtonpost.com/rev-emily-c-heath/dealing-with-grief-five-t_b_2303910.html

There are 24 new Character Development Lessons available
http://www.capmembers.com/cadet_programs/library/character





2013 PCR Chaplain Corps Staff College

DATES: 8-11 April

LOCATION: March Air Reserve Base – Moreno Valley, CA

THEME: Complete-Longsuffering-Encouraging-Maturing

MAJOR EMPHASIS/TRAINING: Psychological and Spiritual First Aid

INSTRUCTOR: Ch, Capt Michael Morison
Psychological First Aid



Psychological First Aid (PFA) is an emerging intervention designed to be used during the immediate response phase of any critical incident or disaster. The primary objectives of PFA are to promote safety, create calm, connect to others, self-efficacy or empowerment, and instill hope during the acute phase in the first hours after a critical incident or disaster. This course will assist the members of the CAP Chaplain Corps by giving them the skills necessary to triage survivors and first responders, providing them with the knowledge and skills necessary to intervene, and to help build resiliency and reduce stress by promoting healthy coping strategies in the acute response environment.

Spiritual First Aid - Unlike social workers, members of the CAP chaplain corps enjoy a divine credibility in a crisis situation. As a result, it is imperative that the members of the CAP chaplain Corps be able to meet and exceed the expectations of victims, families, first responders, and the mental health community. Spiritual first aid seeks to leverage one's spiritual background to help promote resilience and calm in the acute moments after a disaster. In conjunction the course on psychological first aid, spiritual first aid provides the members of the CAP chaplain corps with the ability to assess spiritual vs. psychological post traumatic stress. It will provide the added value, in the acute on site disaster response, of connecting survivors, families, and first responders with the grounding source of their spiritual strength, especially in time of disaster.

Online Registration (deadline – Feb 18, 2013) – fee \$75.00:

<https://events.caphq.gov/OnlineStore/PCRChaplainCorpsStaffCollege.aspx>



RECOGNITION/AWARD 2012 NVWG CONFERENCE



Chaplain Maj, Deb Prosser received special recognition for her continued support of the Nevada Wing (she was the project officer for the 2011 Character Development Day which received national recognition and was one of the escorts/senior advisors for the Nevada Wing Drill Team which represented the Pacific Region at the 2012 National Cadet Competition...as well as her involvement in the NVWG). Some people get plaques -- others get pom-poms.



Ch, Maj Deb Prosser – NVWG HCD

Congratulations to Chaplain, Maj Deb Prosser for being named NVWG's Cheerleader of the Year!!!

However.....on a more serious note.



(L-R) Col Tim Hahn, NVWG CC;
Ch, Maj Deb Prosser, NVWG HCD;
Col Larry Myrick, PCR CC

Later in the banquet, the CAP Bronze Medal of Valor was bestowed upon Chaplain, Major Debra Prosser. The Bronze Medal of Valor is awarded to members for *"distinguished and conspicuous heroic action where danger to self is probable and known."*

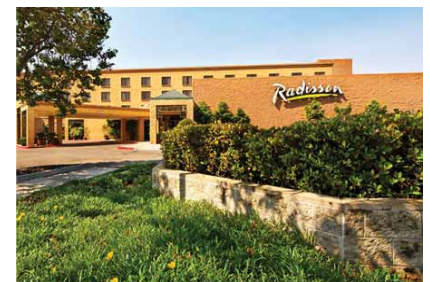
While doing local church work at a home in Las Vegas, Chaplain Prosser heard gunshots and the screams that a person had been shot. She ran outside and resuscitated the innocent victim of a drive-by shooting -- an 8 year old girl who had been shot in the chest. Chaplain Prosser with disregard for her personal safety administered life saving first aid to this little girl while there was still imminent danger from the shooter. She stayed with her until the area had been cleared by police and the ambulance could safely enter the area and take over.

Chaplain Prosser is the epitome of practicing the *"ministry of presence"*.

2013 PACIFIC REGION CONFERENCE



31 MAY – 2 JUNE
SANTA MARIA, CA
RADISSON HOTEL



Awards, Break-out sessions, awards, Banquet, and "Change of Command"



WREATHS ACROSS AMERICA 2012



Wreaths Across America, along with nearly 200,000 volunteers across the country and overseas at 825 locations, placed 420,000 remembrance wreaths on the headstones of our nation's fallen military on Saturday, December 15th in celebration of National Wreaths Across America Day. At Arlington National Cemetery, 110,662 wreaths were placed by more than 20,000 volunteers, making it the largest wreath delivery to date at our nation's cemetery.

On a side note....there was an unfortunate incident at the Riverside National Cemetery where a mix-up in delivery resulted in several boxes of wreaths not delivered in time for the December 15th event. In fact, they would not arrive until December 24th. On Christmas Eve over 40 CAWG senior and cadet members and their families braved the rain and came out to Riverside National Cemetery to place over 500 wreaths that were delivered late. Capt (Chaplain), Robert Harris (Chino Cadet Composite Sq 20 and Capt Ken Benner (March Composite Sq 45) helped to organize this Christmas Eve effort.

To all of our CAP Chaplain Corps personnel that participated in this event across the region:

BRAVO ZULU!!

Here are just a few pictures of PCR Chaplain Corps personnel participating in this great event.



WAA in the Washington State Capital Building –
(L) Ch, Maj Dave Franklin – WAWG Interim HC;
(C) Senator Jim Honeyford - Lt Col/Legislative
Sq CC; (R) Col Ted Tax – WAWG CV



Capt Cristie Akin with members of the
Butte County Composite Sq 95 (CAWG) at the
Gridley-Biggs Cemetery – Gridley, CA



Opening ceremony with the Peninsula
Composite Squadron 051 Color Guard and
Ch, Lt Col William Adam – WAWG HCD at
Tahoma National Cemetery – Kent, WA



Ch, Maj Paul Vance with members of Eugene L. Carnahan Cadet
Squadron 85 (CAWG) who participated in the ceremony at
Sacramento Valley National Cemetery – Dixon, CA

THE IMPORTANCE OF MISSION CHAPLAINS



The need for Mission Chaplains has been shared from time to time...but a recent event serves as a vivid remainder of the importance of the Mission Chaplain's role.

The week prior to Christmas (12/17-21), the CAWG was tasked a mission involving a missing aircraft on a flight from Santa Ynez to Mammoth Lakes. Since the aircraft's last known location was over Yosemite National Park, the operation involved several agencies: CAP, Yosemite National Park Search and Rescue and CHP Air Support. Early on Tuesday morning the 18th the family located themselves in Mammoth to wait. Chaplain, Lt Col Paul Ward (PCR HC) was requested to serve as the Mission Chaplain. Since there wasn't an established "mission base" and air crews were launched remotely, and the search involved multiple agencies and the family was waiting in a location miles removed, it was crucial that lines of communication be established. The IC (there were 5 during this mission) and MC was in contact every hour during the operational day. The MC was tasked to be the "family liaison" for all the agencies. The CAP IC would receive updates from the other agencies to pass on to the MC. And the family would receive hourly updates from the MC. Unfortunately, the weather near the end of the week did not cooperate and the mission had to be suspended and the target was not located.



You might ask if the mission would be considered "successful" even though the missing pilot and aircraft could not be found. The following excerpt from an email sent by Lt Col Mitch Richman (IC/CAWG DO) to the personnel involved in this mission will shed some light:

Finally, I would like to include a message that we received from the pilot's wife this evening after the family was advised that the search was being suspended. This reminds us better than I possibly could of why we all put in the many hours of training and preparation to be ready to help those in need:

"I want to thank you all from the bottom of my heart for the effort you have put in to finding Nick. It has been hard to be so far away but Paul has kept us informed of the many hours you and your teams have been working. I understand this is all volunteer time and my children and I truly appreciate all you have done. We wish so much that the outcome had been positive but we know you have all done your best.

Nick is a very experienced pilot and we will never know what really happened.

I thank you!!! Please tell everyone on your teams how much we appreciate you all."

Note what Lt Col Mitch Richmond stated: "This reminds us better than I possibly could of why we all put in the many hours of training and preparation to be ready to help those in need." For the Mission Chaplain that training and preparation is crucial not only for the family in need but also to assist the Incident Commander and the staff in focusing on their responsibilities.



**NATIONAL STAFF COLLEGE – MAXWELL AFB
12-19 May 2013 – Montgomery, AL**

The capstone course for the Senior Member Professional Development Program.

Info: http://www.capmembers.com/cap_university/course_schedules/nsc-pre-planning-page/

70th ANNIVERSARY OF THE FOUR CHAPLAINS February 3rd



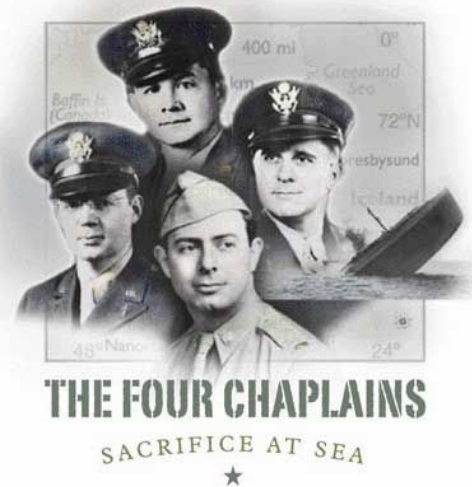
This year marks the 70th anniversary of an event that has given definition to what it means to be a chaplain. The Four Chaplains were four United States Army chaplains who gave their lives to save other soldiers during World War II. The chaplains, who all held the rank of lieutenant, were the Methodist Reverend George L. Fox, the Jewish Rabbi Alexander D. Goode, the Roman Catholic Priest John P. Washington and the Reformed Church in America Reverend Clark V. Poling. The four chaplains were sailing on the USAT Dorchester troop transport on February 3,

1943 when the vessel was torpedoed by the German submarine U-223. As the vessel sank, the four chaplains calmed the frightened soldiers and sailors, aided in the evacuation of the ship, and helped guide wounded men to safety. The chaplains also gave up their own life vests when the supply ran out. 230 of the 902 men aboard the ship were rescued.

On December 19, 1944, all four chaplains were posthumously awarded the Purple Heart and the Distinguished Service Cross. The Chaplain's Medal for Heroism was authorized in 1961 and posthumously presented by the President of the United States to the families of the chaplains. The chaplains were also honored with a stamp, issued in 1948 and by an act of Congress designating February 3 as "Four Chaplains Day." For more details on this amazing story of heroism, check out the following links:

<http://www.homeofheroes.com/brotherhood/chaplains.html>

<http://www.fourchaplains.org/story.html>



2013 NATIONAL CONFERENCE

It's not too early to start planning to attend the 2013 National Conference!!

DATES: 15-18 August

LOCATION: Denver, CO Sheraton Denver Downtown

Watch for more details later on.

