



2013 WISCONSIN WING ENCAMPMENT

Civil Air Patrol

VOLK FIELD, Camp Douglas, Wis.

Sunday, June 30, 2013

Day 2: Organized and Ready to Go

Typical Day as a Cadet

Every morning the cadets are up by 5:45 a.m. and ready for their physical fitness training by 5:55 a.m. Breakfast is the first order of the day after the flag is raised. After breakfast, cadets return to formation in their respective flight and attend classes until lunch time. In the first few days of encampment, a lot of classroom time is spent by the cadets as they again return to classes until dinner. As the week wears on, cadets will begin to replace some of that class time with actual "hands-on" activities.

Needing to wear off energy which has built up during the day, after dinner the cadets participate in physical training games, inspections or drill. Finally, they have about a half hour of free time in the Day Room. With such an early start to the day, cadets are in bed by 9:15 p.m.

Church Service on Sunday

For the cadets and senior members who wished to attend church, Protestant and Catholic services were available.



Father David Bruener from Saint Mary's Church in Tomah is celebrating the Mass.

Photo by 2nd Lt. Lad J. Vrany



Cadets had the option to attend Sunday worship.

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Mr. Michael M. Rico of the Christ Covenant Church in La Crosse gave the Protestant sermon.

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MONDAYS BREAKFAST MENU

Burrito with sausage/salsa
Hash browns
Assorted cereals
Fresh Fruit
Milk
Juice

MONDAYS LUNCH MENU

Baked ham
Scalloped potatoes
Peas & carrots
Salad
Assorted dessert
Milk / Beverage

MONDAYS DINNER MENU

Country fried steak
Whipped potato/gravy
Mixed vegetable
Salad
Brownies
Milk / Beverage

Wisconsin Basic School

There are 45 cadets attending the Wisconsin Basic School this year. Today the cadets spent most of their time in the classroom, learning about many topics aimed at helping them become a better cadet. They learned about becoming a good leader; what it takes to have discipline; about “Wingman and the Warrior Spirit”, which is helping each other out and supporting one another and drill. The cadets also had a character development class with instructor Major David Snyder. Orientation flights began today with some of the cadets having an opportunity to fly in one of Civil Air Patrol’s Cessna airplanes. In the evening after dinner, the cadets were able to play volleyball as they enjoyed the milder than normal temperatures.



Listening to the Character Development lesson.

Photo by 1st Lt. Patricia Miara



Volleyball fun - a mainstay at encampment.

Photo by C/2nd Lt. Boaz Fink

Great Lakes Region Cadet Honor Academy

There are 11 cadets enrolled in the Great Lakes Region Cadet Honor Academy this year. Today the cadets started to develop as a color guard, learning critical skills necessary for being an excellent color guard member. They learned about flag poles and the proper way to hold them; the history of the color guard; the importance of the flag - along with the customs and courtesies of the flag; how to fold the flag and the meaning behind each of the thirteen folds; rifle nomenclature; the color guard competition and proper uniform standards.



Cadets enrolled in the GLR Cadet Honor Guard Academy present the colors each day.

Photos by 1st Lt. Patricia Miara



Major Thomas Kondziella, teaching cadets how to properly fold a ceremonial flag.

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Wisconsin Cadet Academy

There are 28 cadets at the Wisconsin Cadet Academy. Today the cadets participated in a combination of classroom learning and activities supporting what they learned in the classes. The topics covered included: How to drill properly; the history of the color guard; the importance of drill for ceremonies; group leadership activities, Civil Air Patrol's core values (integrity, volunteer service, excellence and respect), how to communicate and how to write a memoranda.



Cadets participate in the Human Knot activity teaching them teamwork and problem solving. Holding hands, the cadets literally tie themselves into a knot and must find a way out of it without letting go of each other.

Photos by 1st Lt. Patricia Miara

With early morning hours and lots of classroom time, sometimes it's hard to not catch a nap.

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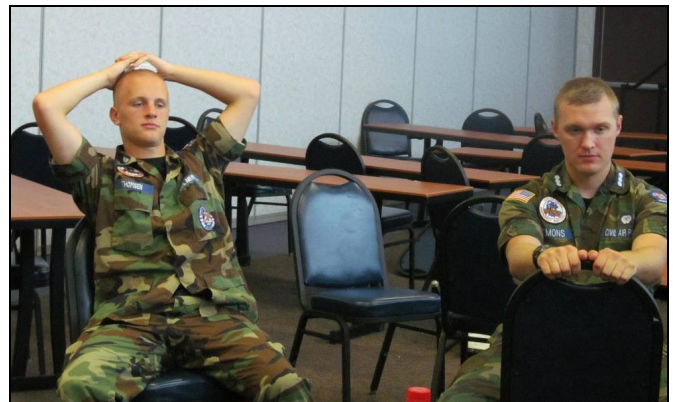
Wisconsin Staff School

With 26 cadet staff members helping in various positions at encampment this year, cadets are insuring the success of encampment as well as using their leadership skills to teach the younger cadets. Cadet staff are in charge of the academies, under the direction of senior members. They help out in different positions such as public affairs and medical and are in charge of inspections, physical training, drill and conducting many of the classes.



Yes, a ruler is used by cadet staff to make sure insignia is properly placed on the collar.

Photo by C/2nd Lt. Boaz Fink



Cadet Captains Evan Thomson and Mitchell Lemons hanging out as they talk with other Wisconsin Cadet Academy staff.

Photo by 1st Lt. Patricia Miara

Flying High

Twelve cadets had the opportunity to go up on orientation flights today. These flights give the cadets the opportunity to learn how to preflight a plane prior to departure as well as learn how to fly the plane. The planes used are Cessna 172's or Cessna 182's and are part of Wisconsin's 13 aircraft.

There was also one emergency service training mission allowing CAP members to practice taking photos of designated areas of interest. Taking good quality photos while flying is not as easy as it sounds and practice is needed for when a real mission occurs.



Cadet Airman John Franklin and Cadet Basic Erick Solano, have seatbelts and headsets on and are ready to GO!

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The importance of a proper preflight inspection is demonstrated to the cadets by the pilot.

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Lieutenant Colonel Dean Dolence checks the propeller in the pre-flight inspection before taking cadets up for their orientation flight.

Photo by 2nd Lt. Lad Vransy

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