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Civil Air Patrol Cadets Learn about Flag Etiquette

ALEXANDRIA, La. – Since Flag Day is approaching on June 14, cadets from Civil Air Patrol's (CAP) Central Louisiana Composite Squadron learned about American Flag etiquette recently during their weekly meeting.

Cadet Lt. Col. Barry James, a member of the CAP Barksdale Composite Squadron and of the U.S. Air Force Reserve Officer Training Corps (AFROTC) Valkyrie Honor Guard at Louisiana Tech University in Ruston, La., shared the importance of flag protocol with the group. James demonstrated the proper way to raise and lower the flag. He also instructed the cadets on how to properly fold the flag.

The laws relating to the flag of the United States of America are found in detail in the United States Code Title 4 Chapter 1.

Cadet Chief Master Sgt. Elisha Deaton said, "Showing our respect to the flag is the least we can do for all of the service personnel who have given their lives in defense of our country."

Louisiana Wing has over 500 members, representing 14 squadrons that are located in Alexandria, Baton Rouge, Bossier City, Gonzales, Hammond, Jennings, Lafayette, Lake Charles, Monroe, New Orleans, Patterson and Shreveport.

Civil Air Patrol, the official auxiliary of the U.S. Air Force, is a nonprofit organization with 58,000 members nationwide. CAP, in its Air Force auxiliary role, performs 90 percent of continental U.S. inland search and rescue missions as tasked by the Air Force Rescue Coordination Center and was credited by the AFRCC with saving 72 lives in fiscal year 2009. Its volunteers also perform homeland security, disaster relief and counter-drug missions at the request of federal, state and local agencies. The members play a leading role in aerospace education and serve as mentors to more than 23,000 young people currently participating in CAP cadet programs. CAP has been performing missions for America for 68 years.

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