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Louisiana Civil Air Patrol Holds Weekend Meeting

BATON ROUGE, La. – On Saturday June 5, Louisiana Wing staff members, squadron commanders and cadet delegates from across the state gathered for a series of three meetings; Wing Staff, Commanders Call and Cadet Advisory Council.

Louisiana Wing Emergency Services Officer Lt. Col. Mickey Marchand spoke to the group concerning mission readiness in the event a hurricane strikes the state.

Other areas of discussion during the day-long event included reports on aerospace education, aircraft management, cadet programs, communications, emergency services, finance, flight management, legal advisory, professional development, safety and transportation.

Louisiana Wing Director of Cadet Programs Maj. Victor Santana gave special recognition to Cadet 2nd Lt. Brett Denehan on his appointment to the U.S. Air Force Academy.

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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