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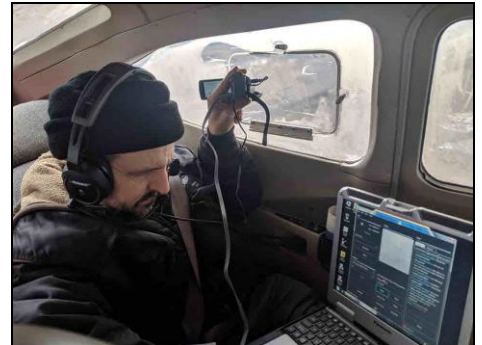
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WING TIPS

• **DAART SAREX:** On 10-11 November members of South Dakota and North Dakota Wings attended training at the Sioux Falls Composite Squadron HQ for the DAART User (DAARTU) and DAART Operator (DAARTO) specialty qualifications. DAART (Domestic Operations Awareness and Assessment Response Tool) is a collaborative mission information sharing and communications platform developed by the National Guard and used by CAP and other emergency services agencies, making DAART especially useful for inter-agency collaboration. The training covered both the web-based platform used by DAART Users at the mission base and the ruggedized hardware platform used by DAART Operators in the field. Instructor Lt. Col. Robert Becker, NHQ DAART Program Manager, traveled from Illinois to get more than 20 members qualified in both DAARTU and DAARTO. Thanks to the Mission Pilots, Mission Radio Operators and Mission Staff Assistants who ensured everyone was able to complete their required training sorties. (Provided by 1st Lt. Tyler Gross)



• **FEMA ASSISTANCE:** Two former CAP South Dakota Wing Commanders are in the Northern Marianas Islands assisting as Federal Emergency Management Agency reservists in this Pacific Ocean American

commonwealth. CAP Colonels John Seten and Mike Beason are on the island of Saipan assisting FEMA with disaster relief following Super Typhoon Yutu. Seten and Beason are both experienced incident commanders. Seten is from Sioux Falls and Beason is from Rapid City



- **CYBERPATRIOT-XI**: CyberPatriot Round-1, the first of three remote online rounds, was held over the weekend of 2-4 November.

Big Sioux Composite Squadron in Brookings has two high school teams in the All Services division. Team1 consists of C/Maj Annabelle Klosterman, C/1stLt Isaiah Klosterman, C/1stLt Austen King and C/Amn Jeremiah Jorenby. The team’s nickname is “(ノ◕◕)ノ(┌┴┐)”. They placed 9th out of 1110 teams in the All Services Division. Team2 consists of C/Capt Jaden Petersen, C/TSgt Nolan Rohl, C/CMSgt Luke Thompson and C/SSgt Brady Hedrick. The team nickname is “The Elementary School”. They placed 530th out of 1110 teams in the All Service Division.

Sioux Falls Composite Squadron in Sioux Falls has two high school teams and one middle school team in the competition. Team1 consists of C/CMSgt Chris Schuppan, C/MSgt Micah Healy, C/Amn Ava Bleyenber, C/Amn Hannah Decker and C/Amn Mercy Healy. The team’s nickname is the “Mockingjays”. They placed 250th out of 1100 teams in the All Services Division. Team2 consists of C/2d Lt David Willison, C/2d Lt Peter Willison, C/SMSgt Sarchet, C/Amn Conner Herren ad Cadet Joshua Rodgers. The team doesn’t have a nickname. They placed 208 out of 1110 teams in the All Services Division. The squadron’s Composite Middle School team consists of C/SMSgt Lydia Klosterman (Big Sioux Composite Squadron), C/MSgt Daniel Willison, C/Amn Gabriel Healy and C/Amn Malachi Smith. The team doesn’t have a nickname. They placed 267 out of 803 teams in the Middle School Division.



HIGH SCHOOL TEAM1



HIGH SCHOOL TEAM2



MIDDLE SCHOOL TEAM

- **PUERTO RICAN ASSISTANCE**: Sioux Falls Composite Squadron’s Lt. Col. Bill Strandell has been deployed to Puerto Rico since March, assisting FEMA in developing housing after the 2017 hurricanes on the Island. Strandell is a civil engineer and retired from the USAF as a colonel.

★ ★ PROMOTIONS ★ ★

Cadet Noncommissioned Officer Promotions



Congratulations to Josiah Kilburn of Box Elder, a member of the Rushmore Composite Squadron, and to Alexander Heinrich and Amelia Weiland, both of Custer and both members of Crazy Horse Composite Squadron on promotion to Cadet Staff Sergeant and receipt of the Wright Brothers Award!



Cadet Airmen Promotions



Congratulations to Keon Den hoed of Boyden, IA, a member of Sioux Falls Composite Squadron, on his promotion to the rank of Cadet Senior Airman and receipt of the Mary Feik Award!



Congratulations to Amber Kelly of Piedmont, a member of Sioux Falls Composite Squadron, and to Trey Stroup of Fort Pierre, and Kade Vandusseldorp and Joshua Vermundson, both of Pierre and all three members of Pierre Composite Squadron on promotion to Cadet Airman First Class and receipt of the Arnold Award!



Congratulations to Anna-Claire Edwards of Ellsworth AFB and Michael Matthesen of Rapid City, both members of Rushmore Composite Squadron, and to Carson Eggert of Baltic, Conner Herren of Crooks and Malachi Smith of Mission Hill, all three members of Sioux Falls Composite Squadron, on promotion to Cadet Airman and receipt of the Curry Award!

