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### WING TIPS



• **CYBERPATRIOT NATIONALS**: On the 7<sup>th</sup> to the 11<sup>th</sup> of April, the Big Sioux Composite Squadron team competed in the national finals of the CyberPatriot held in Baltimore, MD. The team consisted of Cadet Lieutenant Colonel Annabelle Klosterman of Brandon, Cadet Captain Austen King of Volga, Cadet First Lieutenant Isaiah Klosterman of Brandon, and Cadet First Lieutenant Jeremiah Jorenby of Brookings. The team was coached by Captain Tyler Gross of Volga. The team defended computers against professional penetration testers (Professional Hackers). The finalists also faced-off in the Cisco Networking Challenge. Thirteen teams competed in the All Service Division finals; two each from Army, Navy, Marine Corps and Air Force JROTC, the Sea Cadets, CAP and one wildcard team. Team Big Sioux placed in the top two out of 530 registered CAP teams.

### **MILLER FLIGHT (MILLER)**

• **OUTREACH**: On 29 May members of Miller Flight made a presentation to the United Way Heartland Region in Huron. This was part of our process to secure a grant. Several of the board members remember funding the Huron squadron when it was active. New board members were excited to learn more about CAP. They expressed interest in supporting the Miller Flight, and also on how we may work together to get a CAP unit going again in Huron."

### **PIERRE COMPOSITE SQUADRON (PIERRE)**

- **WOMEN IN SCIENCE EXPO:** Members of the squadron attended the 2019 Women in Science exhibit held at the Pierre Ramkota Conference Center on May Day. Attending and exhibiting were Lt. Col. Myra Christensen, Capt. Rhea Waldman and C/CMSgt Alec Crowser. Christensen and Crowser staffed the booth and talked with many of the 200+ attendees about CAP and STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math), how it relates to CAP and life and careers in general. (Dr.) Capt. Waldman is the Education Director at the South Dakota Discovery Center in Pierre and a member of the Pierre Composite Squadron. She and members of the squadron and wing have met with students and others in various areas of the state to promote science education and Civil Air Patrol. In the photo Lt. Col. Christensen and Cadet Crowser talk to several of the participants.



## **SIoux FALLS COMPOSITE SQUADRON (SIoux FALLS)**



- **2019 CHRISTIAN HOMESCHOOL CONFERENCE OF SOUTH DAKOTA:** The two-day event of the 2019 Christian Homeschool Conference of South Dakota was held on 10-11 May at the Sioux Falls Convention Center. We had members from the Sioux Falls Composite Squadron, Big Sioux Composite Squadron, Rushmore Composite Squadron and the Miller Flight that helped educate the families about Civil Air Patrol and the Aerospace Education membership. The flight simulator and Sphero ball were some of the STEM Kits there for students to try out.

# ★ ★ PROMOTIONS ★ ★

### **Officer Promotion**



Congratulations to Pandy Rezac of Highmore, a member of the Miller Flight, on her promotion to the rank of Second Lieutenant!

### **Cadet Officer Promotion**



Congratulations to Ethan Updike of Oelrichs, a member of Crazy Horse Composite Squadron on promotion to the rank of Cadet Second Lieutenant and receipt of the milestone Billy Mitchell Award!



### **Cadet Noncommissioned Officer Promotions**



Congratulations to Keon den Hoed of Boyden, IA, a member of the Sioux Falls Composite Squadron, on his promotion to the rank of Cadet Master Sergeant and receipt of the Charles Lindbergh Award!



Congratulations to Mercy Healy and Gabriel Healy, both of Mitchell and both members of the Sioux Falls Composite Squadron, and to Trey Stroup of Fort Pierre and Kade Vandusseldorp of Pierre, both members of the Pierre Composite Squadron, on promotion to the rank of Cadet Technical Sergeant and

receipt of the Captain Eddie Rickenbacker Award!



Congratulations to Emily Williams of Eagan, a member of the Big Sioux Composite Squadron, on promotion to Cadet Staff Sergeant and receipt of the Wright Brothers Award!



### **Cadet Airman Promotions**



Congratulations to Timothy Daene, Mesha Horsa and Brayden Parke, all of Sioux Falls, to Malachi Smith of Mission Hill, all four members of the Sioux Falls Composite Squadron, and to Jeremiah Jorenby of Brookings, a member of the Big Sioux Composite Squadron, on promotion to the rank of Cadet Senior Airman and receipt of the Mary Feik Award!



Congratulations to Joshua Skelton of Sioux Falls, a member of the Sioux Falls Composite Squadron, and to Sibi Manian of Brookings, a member of the Big Sioux Composite Squadron, on promotion to the rank of Cadet Airman First Class and receipt of the Arnold Award!



Congratulations to Anah Barthle of Sioux Falls, Kendall Fogarty of Hartford and Daniel Oye of Tea, all members of the Miller Flight, and to Kaden Schafer, Phoebe Kellar and Parker Marcy, all of Rapid City and all members of the Rushmore Composite Squadron, to Jonathen Knudsen of Pierre, a member of Pierre Composite Squadron, and to Gillian Shelton and Alexander Shelton, both of Custer and both members of Crazy Horse Composite Squadron on promotion to the rank of Cadet Airman and receipt of the Curry Award!

