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LOCAL CIVIL AIR PATROL MEMBER HONES EXECUTIVE-LEVEL SKILLS AT NATIONAL STAFF COLLEGE

WARSAW, NY – Lieutenant Colonel Charles W. Miller, from Perry, NY, was among 70 students from across America primed for executive-level success thanks to Civil Air Patrol's 2010 National Staff College. The college was held Oct. 16-23 at Maxwell Air Force Base, Ala.

The annual professional development opportunity employed a challenging curriculum to enhance the leadership abilities of members who are, or will be, assuming positions of regional or national importance within CAP.

Through seminar discussions, case studies and exercises, the students – who represented 31 individual CAP wings -- focused on executive leadership, management, organizational behavior and policy development while examining in great detail the organization's national-level operations.

Lieutenant Colonel Miller, a member since 1998, has earned the following awards or commendations and credentials through involvement in CAP: Commander Commendation, Achievement Medal (2), New York Wing 2009 Senior Member of the Year, Northeast Region 2009 Senior Member of the Year, New York Wing Communicator of the Year 2001, and Finger Lakes Group Senior of the Year for 2002, 2005, and 2007. He also is a member of the New York Wing Encampment Senior Staff; current Group Commander for Finger Lakes and past Squadron Commander of the Condor Composite Squadron.

The seven-day National Staff College benefits class participants beyond their CAP roles. The leadership, communication and executive management skills – made available through the course at a fraction of the commercial cost – are in high demand by employers in all industries.

Civil Air Patrol, the official auxiliary of the U.S. Air Force, is a nonprofit organization with 61,000 members nationwide. CAP, in its Air Force 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 112 lives in fiscal year 2010. Its volunteers also perform homeland security, disaster relief and drug interdiction at the request of federal, state and local agencies. The members play a leading role in aerospace education and serve as mentors to the more than 25,000 young people currently participating in CAP cadet programs. CAP has been performing missions for America for 68 years.

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