



The Nellis Times

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CHANGE OF COMMAND

On 6 March, 1st Lt Robert Lopez (center) took command of the Nellis Composite Squadron in a ceremony officiated by Lt Col Jay Roberts (far left), Nevada Wing Vice

Commander. Maj (now MSgt) Patrick Harris (right), the outgoing squadron commander, will remain in the squadron as the advisor to the commander. Also pictured is the current cadet commander, C/1st Lt Patrick Casa (middle left).

1st Lt Lopez joined NCS in November 2011 and is a former cadet. He served in the US Army Reserves and is currently the owner of Diabetes Wellness.

Promotions

Operations Officer Achievement

C/Maj Ruben Cruz-Colon 28 February 2012

Public Affairs Officer Achievement

C/1st Lt Patrick Casa 28 February 2012

Flight Commander Achievement

C/2d Lt Mario D'Angelo 28 February 2012

Gen Billy Mitchell Award

C/2d Lt Marjorie Franzen 30 March 2012

Neil Armstrong Achievement

C/CMSgt Daniel Schmidt 30 March 2012

Robert H. Goddard Achievement

C/CMSgt Devlin Hayley 28 February 2012

Charles A. Lindbergh Achievement

C/MSgt Nathan Witter 30 March 2012

Eddie V. Rickenbacker Achievement

C/TSgt Braden Gant 30 March 2012

Wright Brothers Award

C/SSgt Dakota Read 28 February 2012

C/SSgt Edward Shiu 28 February 2012

Mary Feik Achievement

C/SrA Joseph Brousseau 30 March 2012

C/SrA Jason Fung 28 February 2012

C/SrA Nicholas Roth 30 March 2012

Gen Henry "Hap" Arnold Achievement

C/A1C Hezekiah Bermudez 30 March 2012

C/A1C Hudson Hargrove 06 March 2012

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Awards

Red Service—Two Year

1st Lt John D'Angelo
 C/1st Lt Christopher Casa
 C/CMSgt Devlin Hayley
 C/CMSgt Daniel Schmidt
 C/SSgt Nathaniel Marasigan

06 March 2012

2d Lt Larry Crisp
 C/2d Lt Mario D'Angelo
 C/CMSgt Steven Pedley
 C/SrA Christopher Casa

Red Service—Five Year

1st Lt S. Dianne Crisp
 C/CMSgt Brandon Spann

06 March 2012

C/Lt Col Nicole Crisp

Cadet Recruiter Ribbon

C/Maj Ruben Cruz-Colon

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Community Service Ribbon

C/SSgt Edward Shiu

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Yeager Award

Capt David Sidle
 1st Lt John D'Angelo

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1st Lt S. Dianne Crisp
 TFO Grayson Grantham

Membership Ribbon

SM Jeremy Schultz

06 March 2012

Color Guard takes 2nd Place at State Competition

Our Color Guard performed strong at the Nevada Wing Color Guard Competition held on 17 March! They came in 2nd Place, losing to the Reno Composite Squadron team but beating four other squadrons. C/CMSgt Marjorie Franzen, the Color Guard Commander, also won accolades for getting the highest score on the leadership exam.



Red Rock Hike - 3 March



April Activities

- April 7 - Tango Great Start Field Day,
 Contact [1st Lt John D'Angelo](#)
 - April 7 - Basic Emergency Services School,
 Contact [Capt David Sidle](#)
 - April 14 - Search & Rescue Exercise,
 Contact [Capt David Sidle](#)
 - April 21-22 - Monthly Hike, Overnight backpacking,
[Desert National Wildlife Refuge](#), ~\$20
 Need to be GTM3 Trainee and have 24/72 hr gear
 Contact [Capt David Sidle](#)
 - April 27-29 - [NV Encampment Staff Selection](#), \$30
[Stead National Guard Training Center, Reno](#)
 Register at <http://2012ssx.eventbrite.com/>
 Send resume & cover letter to nvwgcp@gmail.com
- For the latest information and more upcoming events, check the [events page](#) of the main squadron website.

“Linsanity” -- Three Leadership Lessons Learned From Jeremy Lin



Steve Ressler, Originally posted on the [Huffington Post](#)

If you were to ask someone off the street "Who is Jeremy Lin?" a couple of weeks ago, chances are they would have no idea who you were talking about. Now this New York Knicks basketball player is an instant NBA legend, and fans and non-fans alike have gone "Linsane" over his success.

[GovLoop member Pat Fiorenza](#) dug deeper, asking the community: What leadership lessons can we learn from Jeremy Lin? Fiorenza suggested several lessons, such as "hard work is contagious", "admitting failure and what you need to improve" and "shine in adversity." Based on comments from community members, there is general agreement that there are three main leadership lessons that helped Lin succeed.

First, **commitment to the team is critical** -- leaders need to commit to growth, learning from their mistakes in order to help a team reach its mission.

Esther Reyes, a management consultant at Reyes Consulting [elaborated](#) on this point. "Leaders create the environment to maximize each team member's chances to succeed, understand each member's strengths and his/her contributions that go beyond the usual strengths (don't write anyone off based on assumptions or perceptions that might be wrong), learn from mistakes, and have the grace to celebrate the successes of past and current team members, especially when hindsight is 20/20."

Second, a leader needs to **believe in everyone on your team**, giving them the shot when it's time for someone to step up.

"If you listen to the sports writers/analysts, they'll tell you that Jeremy Lin just needed the right system and an opportunity," [said](#) Scott Thomas, Director of Communications for Young Government Leaders -- Los Angeles. "[Coach] D'Antoni's offense fits his set of skills... they picked him up but waited weeks to give him a chance."

"In the workplace I translate this to having the right people doing the right job," Thomas continues. "And, yes, don't be afraid to take a chance on someone like D'Antoni did in the second half of the Nets game when Lin was two days away from being cut. Everyone has talent -- figure out what that is and make use of it."

Finally, it is important for leaders to remember that **talent is everywhere -- sometimes in places you least expect**.

David Dejewski, a senior executive at IDEAL Investments LLP, [noted](#) that "As a leader, I never saw my job as a talent scout. I wasn't interested in super stars or any single stand out talent. Individual talents are flashes in the pan, but creating an environment that draws the best out of the people in it -- now that's something worth doing."

Dejewski continued, "I viewed myself as a farmer. My job was to provide an environment where people could grow, then cultivate them until they could become the best they could be. Talent exists in everyone to varying degrees. It doesn't always have the necessary environment to come out. I loved being surprised and I loved success stories."

Newsletter Inputs

The squadron newsletter will be published on the first Sunday of every month. If you have photos, articles, notices, or anything you want to add or if you are interested in working the newsletter, please contact C/Lt Col Crisp no later than the last Sunday of the previous month.



Open House

Tuesday, 15 May 2012 at 6:30 p.m.

Interested in aviation? Or maybe the military? If so, the **Civil Air Patrol (CAP) Cadet Program** is for you. If you're 12-18 years old and looking for a challenge, join us for an informative introduction to CAP, the official civilian auxiliary of the United States Air Force. Meet CAP cadets and hear first-hand what it's like to be a cadet.

Learn about the incredible opportunities CAP has to offer, including **leadership development, summer activities, academic scholarships, and much, much more!**

Parents, please join us for this event as well. Adult leaders will be on hand to answer your questions about the cadet program and tell you about CAP opportunities for adults.

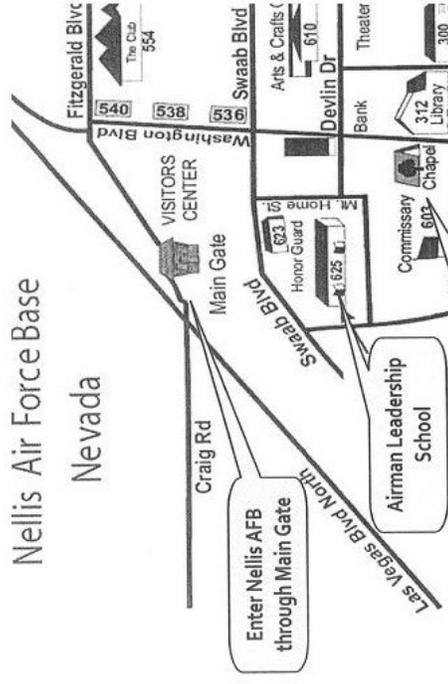
For more information, contact **1st Lt John D'Angelo** at dangelo069@gmail.com.

For more about our squadron, visit us on Facebook, www.facebook.com/ncs069, or our main website, <http://nvwg.cap.gov/units/ncs/ncs.htm>.



Nellis Air Force Base

Nevada



Directions

Nellis Composite Squadron meets in the Airman Leadership School on Nellis AFB. You can drive to the school or park at the Visitors' Center and take our shuttle van at 6:10 p.m. to the squadron.



2012 NVWG ENCAMPMENT

Staff Selection Exercise: 27 – 29 April 2012



The Nevada Wing Cadet Programs Section is scheduled to conduct its Staff Selection Exercise from Friday, 27 April through Sunday, 29 April 2012 for its 2012 Encampment.

Cadets interested in being considered for staff positions at Encampment are encouraged to submit a letter of interest and resume to:

NVWGCP@gmail.com

Positions being recruited for include:

Flight Commander (5)
Flight Sergeant (5)
Cadet Administrative Officer (1)
Cadet Administrative NCO (1)
Cadet Logistics Officer (1)
Cadet Logistics NCO (4)
Cadet PAO (1)
Cadet Assistant PAO (2)



All cadets will be required to demonstrate knowledge, skills, and abilities in Command Presence, Military Bearing, Written/Verbal Communications, Drill and Uniform Inspections.

The Staff Selection Activity Fee is \$35.00 and this will cover billeting, meals, supplies, and equipment used at Staff Selection.

Applicants are required to register on <http://2012SSX.eventbrite.com> and pay their fees no later than Friday, 4 April 2012 as space is limited. In addition, their electronic CAP Form 31 must be submitted to nvvgSSX@cap.gov with the signed copy hand delivered at the time of in-processing.



2012 NVWG ENCAMPMENT

CAMP STEAD ARNG TRAINING CENTER - RENO, NEVADA

24 June - 1 July 2012



The Nevada Wing Cadet Programs Section is proud to announce its Encampment to be held between 24 June and 1 July, 2012. Encampment will be held at Camp Stead, the former USAF Survival Training School where flight crews were trained on how to survive if forced down in remote and/or unfriendly terrain, how to escape capture, and how to escape if captured. It is the current location of the Nevada National Army Guard Training Center and the annual Reno Air Races.

The NVWG Encampment will include:

- Military Skills
- Confidence Course
- Volley Ball Competition
- Military Orientation Flights
- Flight Line Orientation and Tour
- M16 Marksmanship
- Model Rocketry and
- Much - Much More

The Encampment Activity Fees are as follows:

\$210: Registration prior to 31 May

\$225: Registration prior to 15 June



Basic Cadets are encouraged to register and pay their fees early as space is limited. Fees will cover billeting, meals, supplies, and equipment used at Encampment.

Applicants will be required to register at <http://2012nvwgencampment.eventbrite.com> and pay their Encampment fee in order to attend as space is limited. In addition, cadets must bring their signed CAP Form 31 to be submitted at Encampment In-processing.