

SPECIAL AWARDS AND HONORS – Individuals

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				<i>Wing</i>	<i>Region</i>	<i>National</i>
Aerospace Education						
Frank G. Brewer Memorial Aerospace (Cadet) Category I	CAPR 280-2 and CAPP 15	--Outstanding aerospace achievement or contribution to the aerospace field during the last calendar year only. --Nominees must have earned the Mitchell award and be a current member of CAP. --Aerospace achievement or activity should be significant. Nominee should be doing significantly more than would be expected of anyone in similar position.	--Complete CAPF 25 --Use format shown in CAPP15 --Nominations should include a strong justification that supports an outstanding aerospace achievement or significant contribution to the aerospace field during the last calendar year	15 Jan	15 Feb	15 Mar
Frank G. Brewer Memorial Aerospace (Senior) Category II	CAPR 280-2 and CAPP 15	--Outstanding aerospace achievement or contribution to the aerospace field during the last calendar year only. --Must be a current CAP member. Aerospace achievement or activity should be significant – more than earning the Yeager Award or completing CAP training requirements. Nominee should be doing significantly more than would be expected of anyone in a similar position.	--Complete CAPF 25 --Use format shown in CAPP15 --Nominations should include a strong justification that supports an outstanding aerospace achievement or significant contribution to the aerospace field during the last calendar year	15 Jan	15 Feb	15 Mar

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<p>Lifetime Achievement Award (Formerly known as the Anniversary Award) Category IV</p> <p><i>No longer an annual award; awarded in any calendar year whenever exceptional nominations representing a period of more than twenty (20) years of aerospace education contributions are received</i></p>	CAPR 280-2 and CAPP 15	Nominee must be CAP member whose aerospace achievement or activity has been consequential and noteworthy for a period of more than twenty (20) years	Use format shown in CAPP15 --Nominations should include a strong justification that supports a noteworthy aerospace achievement or made significant contribution to the aerospace field for a period of more than 20 years	15 Jan	15 Feb	15 Mar
Crown Circle Award (National Conference on Aviation & Space Education Crown Circle for Aerospace Education Leadership Award)	CAPR 280-2 and CAPP 15	--Recognizes a member's demonstrated performance of outstanding leadership in aerospace education. --Nominees must have demonstrated involvement in and commitment to AE, displayed outstanding leadership in AE locally, nationally or internationally and performed over an extended periods of years at a high level and of great quality.	--Complete nomination form on page 53 of CAPP 15 --Nominees must authorize the submission, and if chosen, agree to attend the induction ceremony --A narrative nomination along with biography of nominee and photo must be submitted --Submit nomination to HQ CAP/AE	15 Jan	15 Feb	15 Mar
Scott Crossfield Aerospace Education Teacher of the Year Award – May be	CAPR 280-2	Recognizes aerospace education teachers, kindergarten through twelfth grades, for outstanding accomplishments in AE and for	--Criteria outlined on p. 14 of CAPP15 --Complete Crossfield Teacher of the Year form,	15 Jan	15 Feb	15 Mar

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submitted by anyone directly to HQ CAP/AE		possessing those honorable attributes expected of educators	CAPP 15, p. 51 --Obtain permission from nominee to submit package and ensure presence at induction ceremony --A narrative nomination along with required attachments and a photo must be submitted Submit nomination to HQ CAP/AE			
CAP Aerospace Education Teacher of the Year	CAPR 280-2	Must be CAP member and certified classroom teacher from grades kindergarten through twelfth from any public, private or parochial school; must teach aerospace education as a subject or use AE to enrich the teaching of traditional subjects; accomplishments of the nominee need not be limited to the year for which the award is given	--set high standards for students; demand excellence in student performance --strive to improve their personal academic competence and teaching ability --demonstrate creativity in developing and utilizing materials to enhance the teaching of aerospace --maximize student involvement --create/develop a one-time project or program that has a major impact on teaching of aerospace education	15 Jan	15 Feb	15 Mar

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Aerospace Education Officer (AEO) of the Year	CAPR 280-2	--Recognizes squadron, group, wing or region AEP in their assigned duties --Narrative describing the member's contributions to the program is required --Minimum requirements include at least one year of service as an AEO at any level; hold at least a Senior rating in AE Specialty Track 215; earned the Yeager Award and promoted completion of the Yeager Award to others; promote the AE Program in various ways	See CAPR 280-2	15 Jan	15 Feb	15 Mar
AFA AE Cadet of the Year (Air Force Association's Aerospace Cadet of the Year)	CAPP 15	Recognizes a cadet for outstanding aerospace education contributions by promoting AE within CAP and the local community	--Complete form on p. 42 in CAPP 15 --Based on significant AE accomplishments during the past year; package should be no longer than three (3) pages			15 Apr
Cadet Officer and NCO						
Cadet of the Year	CAPR 39-3	Must demonstrate outstanding CAP leadership as well as academic excellence in school; be at least a high school junior. The nominee must have earned the Amelia Earhart Award and be a current CAP member.	--Nominated from selected cadets within each wing by a wing selection board --CAPF 58 Nomination for Cadet of the Year with required attachments	15 Jan	15 Feb	15 Mar

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AFA Award to Outstanding CAP Cadets	CAPR 39-3	Recognize the outstanding CAP cadet in each squadron; UNIT commanders select cadet no later than 1 January annually and submit directly to the Air Force Association Headquarters by 15 January	--See CAPR 39-3, para 31 (a-d) for criteria and submission requirements			
Air Force Sergeants Association Award to Outstanding CAP Cadet Noncommissioned Officer of the Year	CAPR 39-3	Recognizes the outstanding CAP NCO in each squadron; UNIT commanders select NCO no later than 15 April annually	--See CAPR 39-3, para 32 (a-d) for criteria and submission requirements			
Cadet Programs Officer						
John V. "Jack" Sorenson Cadet Programs Officer of the Year	National/CC Letter	--Recognizes the Cadet Programs Officer who has contributed most to the CAP Cadet program. --Each commander will select one nominee believed to be the most deserving of the award	--Written narrative nomination --National Commander or designee makes final selection	15 Jan	15 Feb	15 Mar
Chaplain and Moral Leadership						
Senior Chaplain of the Year	CAPR 265-1	Limited to Region, Wing, and Group chaplains. Selection criteria include attendance at wing, region and national conferences, completion of several training requirements, participation in emergency services and leadership with the civilian	--At least a major --Been a CAP chaplain for a minimum of 5 years --Person selected as Region Senior Chaplain of the Year becomes the nominee for the national award	15 Jan	15 Feb	15 Mar

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		community. Have completed a minimum of 5 years of service in CAP.	--Nominations are sent to Deputy National Chief of the Chaplain Service --One-page narrative stating justification for the award			
Squadron Chaplain of the Year	CAPR 265-1	---Given for outstanding chaplain ministry at the squadron level and limited to squadron chaplains. The selection committee weighs criteria such as professional development, moral leadership, and participation in missions and exercises.	--Wing chaplains are to ensure the nomination complies with region award requirements --Person selected as Region Squadron Chaplain of the Year will become region's nominee for the national award --Nominations are sent to Deputy National Chief of the Chaplain Service --One-page narrative stating justification for the award	15 Jan	15 Feb	15 Mar
Moral Leadership Officer of the Year	CAPR 265-1	MLO who has brought credit to the Chaplain Service and CAP through excellence in moral leadership for CAP cadets	--Wing Commander nominates --Nominee needs designated 225 Specialty Track on record --Demonstrated the highest level of excellent in moral leadership for cadets --Nominations sent to	15 Jan	15 Feb	15 Mar

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			Deputy National Chief of the Chaplain Service --One-page narrative stating justification for the award			
Communications						
Communications Officer of the Year	CAPR 100-1, Volume I	Current member who has made significant contributions to the success of the CAP Communications Program. Selection is based on lifetime contributions rather than those accomplished only during the year of nomination.	--Nominations, in narrative form, submitted through channels --Based on member's lifetime contributions to the CAP Communications Program, not just the year of nomination	15 Jan	15 Feb	15 Mar
Counterdrug						
Norm Edwards Counterdrug Officer of the Year	CC/Letter – 17 Mar 05	Recognizes a current member who has made significant contributions to the CAP Counterdrug Program. Counterdrug officers at any level are eligible. Based on member's lifetime contributions to the CD Program.	--Narrative nomination highlighting achievements and service record of member is needed. --National Commander with advice of NHQ staff selects winner --Must be submitted through Wing and Region Commanders	15 Jan	15 Feb	15 Mar

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Drug Demand Reduction						
Drug Demand Reduction Administrator	CAPR 51-1	Recognizes the Drug Demand Reduction Administrator (DDRA) from the wing that is selected as the outstanding wing demonstrating the strongest commitment toward working for a drug-free America.	--NHQ uses the end of year report (CAPR 51-1, para 3-5) to select the outstanding wing and its DDRA			
Emergency Services						
Col Edwin W. Lewis, Jr. Incident Staff Member of the Year	MG Courter's Interim Change Letter – 10 Dec 2008	Recognizes active cadet or senior members who have contributed significantly to the success of CAP's emergency services and operational mission on the incident staff level; based on life-time contributions; narrative needs to include ES and operations qualifications and participation; impact on wing/region ES and operations programs and missions; generally focuses on an individual but a group of people can be nominated in one package	--Emphasis placed on incident staff contributions to mission success	15 Jan	15 Feb	15 Mar
Col Dion E. DeCamp Ground Team of the Year	MG Courter's Interim Change Letter – 10 Dec 2008	Recognizes active ground teams, urban direction finding teams or other ground operations teams that have contributed significantly to the success of CAP's ES and operational mission; narrative needs to include ES and operations	--Emphasis must be placed on team's contributions to ground operations, but does not need to focus on specific members; recognize teams conducting ground	15 Jan	15 Feb	15 Mar

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		qualifications of all team members, impact on wing/region ES and operations programs and missions	operations contributing to mission success			
Finance						
Finance Director of the Year	CAPR 39-3	Recognizes the Wing Director of Finance who has contributed the most to the financial management program during the previous twelve (12) months.	--Wing/CC's letter of nomination should include the length of service and the member's specialty track accomplishments; --Include narrative detailing innovative procedures, superior initiative and exemplary contributions that distinguish the member as an outstanding financial manager --Considered also will be Financial Assessment Matrix ratings, Wing Financial Analyst reports and timeliness of year-end reports --National Commander or designee makes the final decision		15 Feb	15 Mar
Historian						
Colonel Lester W. Hopper Historian of the Year	CAPR 210-1	Recognizes the CAP member who contributes most to keeping alive the history of CAP.	--Letter of nomination to the current National Historian or HQ CAP;	15 Jan	15 Feb	15 Mar

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			should include name of individual being nominated, designation of the history prepared by that individual, and pertinent facts relating to the individual's nomination --Submission of an annual Wing History for the preceding year; needs to meet standards in paragraph 1-2a of CAPR 210-1			
Legislative Officer						
George Texido Legislative Officer of the Year	May 04 NEC Minutes (CAPR39-3 when approved)	Recognizes the outstanding government relations or legislative officer who has contributed most to the success of CAP through legislative efforts. Based on the individual's efforts -- to recruit Congressional and state Legislative Squadron members, --obtain state funding or assistance for the wing or region, and --contributions to the success of CAP as a whole. Based on long-term contribution to the CAP legislative program, not	Wing nominates and submits to Region. Region selects one nomination and forwards to HQ CAP/DV. Region nominations are reviewed by the Legislative Liaison Committee and recommendations forwarded to the National Command for final selection.		15 Feb	15 Mar

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		just the accomplishments during the year of nomination.				
Logistician						
Logistician of the Year	CAPR 67-1	Recognizes a member's significant contributions to the CAP Logistics Program that year. Criteria for selection include superior performance in logistics management, maintenance, supply and transportation.	--Nomination must meet standards in paragraph 3-6a --HQ CAP/LG committee will choose winner; final selection made by National Commander	15 Jan	15 Feb	15 Mar
Safety						
Safety Officer of the Year	CAPR 62-1	Recognizes the Safety Officer who contributes most to the CAP Safety Program.	--Wing submits nomination for person believed to have contributed most to the CAP safety program	15 Jan	15 Feb	1 Mar
Senior Member						
Senior Member of the Year	CAPR 39-3	Recognized by the AFA; award is given annually to the senior member who has contributed most to the success of CAP's missions over the years. Selection is based on the member's lifetime contributions, not just accomplishments during the nomination year.	--Nomination describing the nominee's accomplishments in narrative form submitted through channels --Suggested information to be included is listed in CAPR 39-3	15 Jan	15 Feb	15 Mar
F. Ward Reilly Leadership Award	CAPR 39-3	Recognizes the individual leadership of the squadron commander of the CAP Squadron of Distinction	--Squadron is selected using criteria in CAPF 39-3, para 27a (1-5)			

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Aerospace Education						
Frank G. Brewer Memorial Aerospace (Individual or Organization – non CAP) Category III	CAPR 280-2 and CAPP 15	Nominee should have a strong involvement in CAP but not be a member whose aerospace achievement or activity are significant and go “above and beyond” what would normally be expected of any person or group in a similar position.	--Complete CAPF 25 --Use format shown in CAPP15 --Nominations should include a strong justification that supports an outstanding aerospace achievement or significant contribution to the aerospace field over a continuous period of several years	15 Jan	15 Feb	15 Mar
Aerospace Education Mission Award	CAPR 280-2	Recognizes the best wing in Aerospace Education in each region and the top three wings in the nation for excellence in promoting Aerospace Education	--Measured performance in four major aerospace education mission areas: staffing, internal program, external program and Plan of Action --HQ CAP/AE determines the top three wings in AE and the top wing in AE in each region			

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Cadet Programs						
Cadet Programs Missions Awards	(CAPR 52-16 draft)	Recognizes the outstanding Cadet Programs wing in each region.	--Region Commander and CAP-USAF Liaison Region Commander review the annual Squadron of Distinction data to determine the outstanding Cadet Programs wing in their region --National Cadet Programs Special Advisor will coordinate the award with each region and act in concert with HQ CAP			
Counterdrug						
Outstanding Counterdrug Operations	CAPR 60-6	Recognizes the top wing in each region that demonstrating the most effective counterdrug program	--HQ CAP gives CD awards each calendar year to one wing in each region --The CAP-USAF LR commander selects the winning wing, with input from the region CDD, based on criteria listed in CAPR 60-6			

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Drug Demand Reduction						
Outstanding Drug Demand Reduction Wing	CAPR 51-1	Recognizes the wing demonstrating the strongest commitment toward working for a drug-free America	--HQ CAP uses the end of year report (CAPR 51-1, para 3-5) to select the outstanding wing			
Safety						
Paul W. Turner Safety Award	CAPR 62-1	Presented to the Wing with the most outstanding safety program, based on overall operational achievements, along with specific contributions to safety.	--Region commander nominates the wing with the most outstanding safety program and safety record --Information to be included and nomination format for award can be found in CAPR 62-1			
Squadron						
CAP Squadron of Distinction Program	CAPR 39-3	Recognize the top CAP composite or cadet squadron regionally and nationally for distinctive accomplishments in the cadet program during the preceding calendar year	--Using the criteria in CAPR 39-3, para 27a (1-5) and the data provided by HQ CAP, each Region Commander will determine a Squadron of Distinction for his/her Region			
Squadron of Merit	CAPR 39-3	Recognize the top CAP cadet or composite squadron in each wing	-- Using the criteria in CAPR 39-3, para 27a (1-5) and the data provided by HQ CAP, each Wing Commander will determine a Squadron of Merit for his/her Wing			

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American Legion Award	CAPR 39-3	Recognize the outstanding CAP squadron in each wing	--See CAPR 39-3, para 30 (a-d)	30 Jul		