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FOREWORD

Colonel Ragan latest work on the cataloging of Civil Air Patrol Insignia is at hand. It, along with his earlier *The Collectors Catalog of Civil Air Patrol Insignia*, 1942—1985 and Civil Air Patrol Unit Patches, Volume One represent truly outstanding reference works on the subject. No serious Civil Air Patrol Insignia Collector's reference library can be considered complete can do without all three works.

Many of the unit patches illustrated herein are being introduced to the collecting community for the first time. In so doing, Colonel Ragan once again contributes to the preservation of the rich heritage of the Civil Air Patrol.

Colonel Ragan's personal background as a professional illustrator and a lifelong collector of military insignia make him uniquely qualified to present the material contained herein. His personal dedication and desire for accuracy are evident at first reading.

It has been the writer's distinct privilege to work with the author for the past several years on numerous Civil Air Patrol Historical Projects. This association has been a most rewarding experience as is his highly valued friendship.

LESTER E. HOPPER COL CAP

PREFACE

After almost four years, volume two of this study of Civil Air Patrol unit insignia is ready. With this volume, we now have illustrated over 480 CAP unit emblems, special qualification patches and commemorative insignia.

As Civil Air Patrol enters its second half-centry of service, it is only fitting that members try and preserve the insignia of local units. Many of those units have been long since disbanded, but their record survives in the insignia they left behind.

All technical aspects of these books was covered in the preface of volume one. If you have questions of a technical nature about these volumes, I suggest you check that source. If you have any other questions about CAP unit insignia, please feel free to write me at the address listed below.

Plans are in the works for a possible volume three of this series at some future date. First of all, we will need about 240 to 250 CAP unit insignia that have not been illustrated in either of these first two books. If you want to contribute, please send a full size, good quality photocopy of any patches, decals or line drawings. DO NOT fold the copies when you mail them and please do not draw lines on the design to indicate what colors go in what parts of the design. I am most interested in buying any Civil Air Patrol unit patches, special event patches or decals of either type insignia.

I hope each one of you appreciates the colorful history of Civil Air Patrol as represented by the insignia contained in this book.

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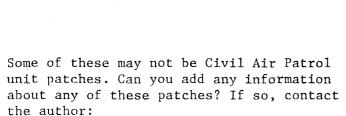
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4th Group - Texas Wing (Richardson - Dallas area)



19th Coastal Patrol Base - WWII Portland, Maine



#22 Squadron- (?) Wing

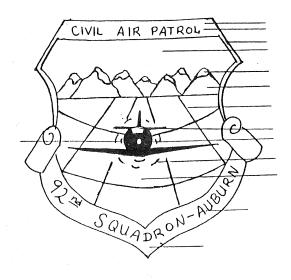


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96th Composite Squadron Idaho Wing (Pocatello)





92nd Composite Squadron California Wing



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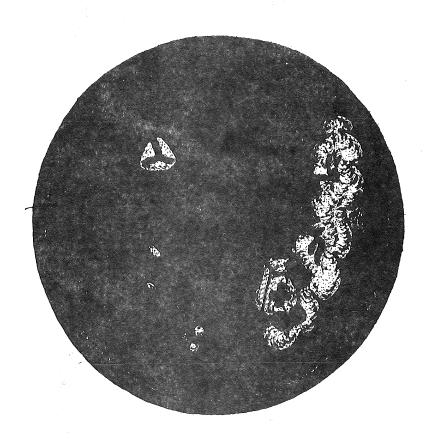
205th CAP Squadron - (?) Wing



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918th Squadron -California Wing This patch design may date from the WWII era.





Akron-Canton Composite Squadron Ohio Wing



Allentown Composite Squadron- New Jersey Wing



Aiken County Composite Squadron South Carolina Wing

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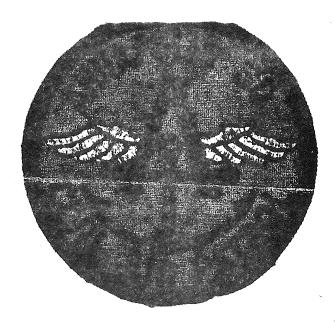
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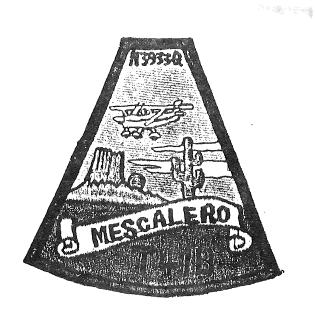
Andrews Cadet Squadron Drill Team
National Capital Wing



Annapolis Squadron-Maryland Wing



Apollo Composite Squadron - Texas Wing (Georgetown area)



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Atlanta Composite Squadron 2 - Georgia Wing



Augusta Gardiner Composite Squadron Maine Wing (Augusta area)



Aviano Cadet Squadron - Aviano Air Base, Italy



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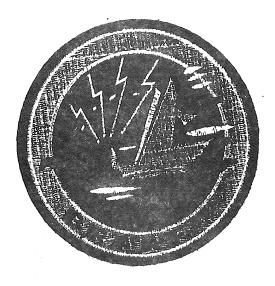
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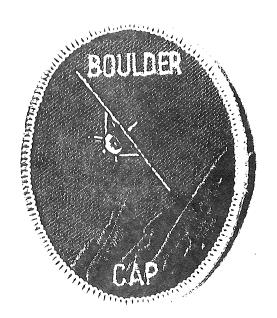
Birmingham Squadron 90 - Alabama Wing



Black Sheep Composite Squadron (second design- formerly Black Sheep Senior Sqd.) Colorado Wing



Boca Raton Senior Squadron- Florida Wing (This is a copy of the WWII Boca Raton Army Airfield patch.)



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Black Sheep Composite Squadron Texas Wing



Boone County Squadron-Kentucky Wing (See "Northern Kentucky Comp. Sqd." patch on page 33 of Vol. One.

Left: Boulder Composite Squadron Colorado Wing



Bracket Composite Squadron 64 California Wing



Bronx Cadet Squadron 5-New York Wing





Bristol Composite Squadron Massachusetts Wing



Bronx Group-New York Wing

Left: Brockton Cadet Squadron Massachusetts Wing



Buffalo Squadron 1 - New York Wing



Brooklyn Cadet Squadron 2 New York Wing

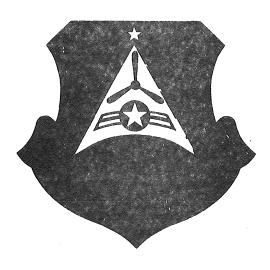


Cadet Leadership School, North Central Region

Right: Cadet Squadron 410-Ohio Wing (Eastlake)



Burlington Composite Squadron North Carolina Wing



Cadet Officer School (Decal)

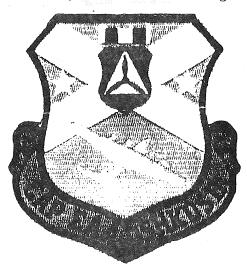




California Wing Operations



Camp Curtis Guild Squadron (Variation-see page 8 in Vol. I) Massachusetts Wing



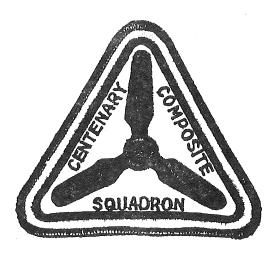


Camarillo Composite Squadron 61 California Wing



Campbell County Composite Squadron Kentucky Wing

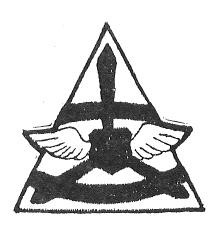
Left: CAP-EAA Oshkosh. Worn by CAP members who work at the EAA Fly-In at Oshkosh, Wisconsin.



Centenary Composite Squadron Kentucky Wing (Lexington)



Charles K. Hamilton Composite
Squadron - Massachusetts Wing



Clark Air Base Cadet Squadron. Original design. Clark AB, P.I.

Right: Clark Air Base 120th Cadet Squadron, P.I.



Charlotte County Composite Squadron Florida Wing



Headquarters CAP-USAF. This is a USAF insignia worn only by USAF personnel. This patch comes in both color and subdued versions.





Clark Air Base Cadet Squadron, P.I.



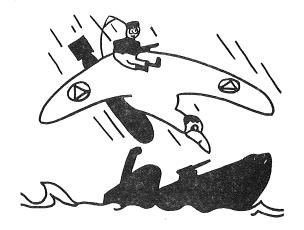
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Cobb County Composite Squadron Georgia Wing (Woodstock)



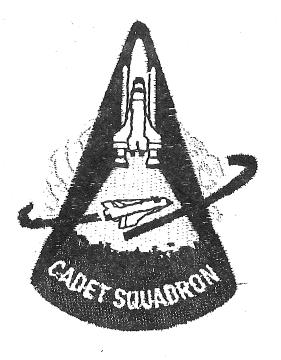
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Coastal Patrol Base 4, Parksley, Virginia - WWII



Compton Senior Squadron 65 California Wing



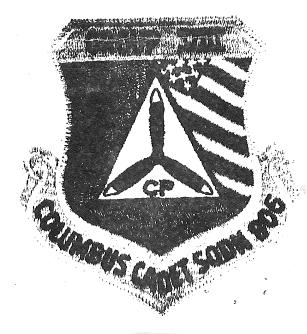
Columbia Cadet Squadron Michigan Wing



Columbia Composite Squadron 2-4 Michigan Wing



Columbia Composite Squadron Oregon Wing



Columbus Cadet Squadron 806
Ohio Wing



Colonel Francis Gabreski Cadet Squadron VI - New York Wing



Condor Squadron - Alabama Wing



Creve Coeur Senior Squadron Missouri Wing



Condor Composite Squadron 135 - California Wing



Coral Springs Cadet Squadron Florida Wing



Crescent City Cadet Squadron Ground Team - National Capital Wing (Crescent City, Maryland)



Crusader Composite Squadron
Texas Wing (Dallas area)
Unofficial patch (U.S. Navy
F-14 Tomcat Fighter units.),
used by Explorer Post 470,
BSA and Crusader Comp. Sqd.
Post. All cadets were also
explorers as this was a dual
chartered unit. This patch was
used as a public relations
hand-out by the unit. Crusader
Comp. Sqd. is based at Dallas
Naval Air Station.



Dayton Aero Cadet Squadron 706 Ohio Wing

Right:
Deer Valley Senior Squadron 302
Arizona Wing (Phoenix)



Cumberland Composite Squadron
New Jersey Wing



Dan River Composite Squadron North Carolina Wing





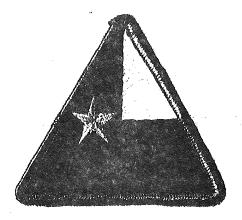
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Dover Squadron Delaware Wing



Eagle Composite Squadron (1970) New York Wing (Jamestown)



Delta Composite Squadron Texas Wing (Houston area)



Dunkirk Group- New York Wing



Eagle Composite Squadron (1988) New York Wing (Westfield)



East-King Composite Squadron Washington Wing (Bellevue)



Elk Grove Composite Squadron Illinois Wing



Ellington Composite Squadron Texas Wing (Houston area)



Expert Ranger Tab - Pennsylvania Wing



Fairfax Composite Squadron National Capital Wing



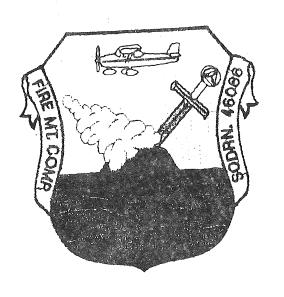
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Falcon Squadron- Illinois Wing



Florida Emergency Assistance Team (F.E.A.T.) Florida Wing



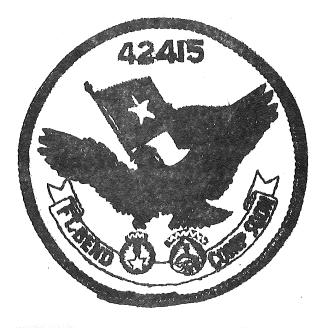
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Flying Encampment 1969, Norman Oklahoma (Oklahoma Wing or Southwest Region?)



Forest Park Cadet Squadron - Illinois Wing



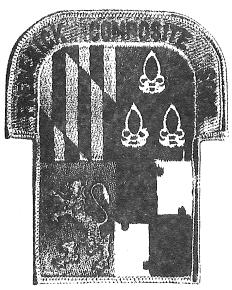
Fort Bend Composite Squadron
Texas Wing



Fort Vancouver Composite Squadron Washington Wing



Fort Worth Senior Squadron Texas Wing



Fredrick Composite Squadron Maryland Wing (Fredrick)



Gallatin Composite Squadron - Montana Wing



Glouchester Cadet Squadron New Jersey Wing



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Grants Pass Composite Squadron Oregon Wing



Glendale Cadet Squadron 27 California Wing

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Group One - Illinois Wing



Group Two Headquarters - Ohio Wing



Group Three - Tennessee Wing



Group Three - Arizona Wing



Group Four - Massachusetts Wing



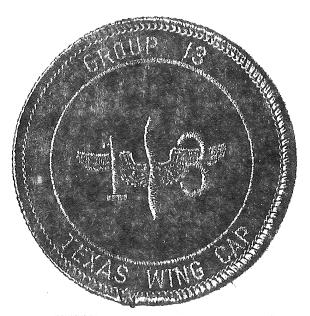
Group Six - Ohio Wing (Later version with map of Ohio made more accurate.)



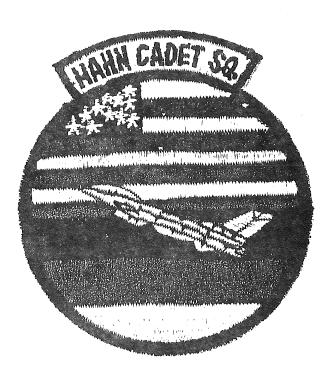
Group Six - Ohio Wing (Early version with inaccurate shape of the state of Ohio.)



Group Ten - Pennsylvania Wing,



Group Thirteen - Texas Wing



Hahn Cadet Squadron - Hahn Air Base Germany

Right: Hanscom Composite Squadron Massachusetts Wing



Group Twenty Five - California Wing



Hahn Cadet Squadron - Hahn Air Base Germany (Armband)





Harry S. Truman Composite Squadron Missouri Wing



Headquarters Flight - Oregon Wing
(WWII era)





Hawaii - Kai 'Aero Composite Squadron Hawaii Wing



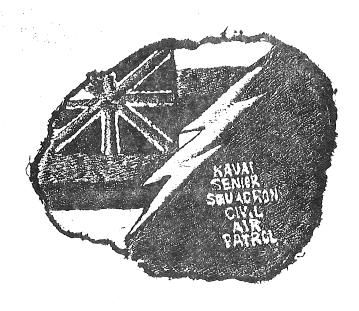
Hornet Flight - Texas Wing

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Hudson Valley Squadron (now Westchester Hudson Composite Sqd.) New York Wing



Incirlik Cadet Squadron - Incirlik Air Base, Turkey



Kauai Senior Squadron - Hawaii Wing



Kenton County Composite Squadron Kentucky Wing



Kentucky Air National Guard Composite Squadron (Louisville)



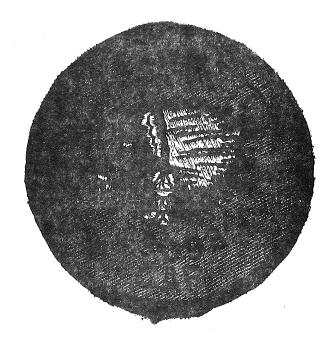
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Kentucky Wing Staff Tab - worn below the wing shoulder patch



Lake Charles Composite Squadron Louisiana Wing



Lafayette Composite Squadron Missouri Wing



Lexington Composite Squadron South Carolina Wing



Lindbergh Senior Squadron 127 California Wing



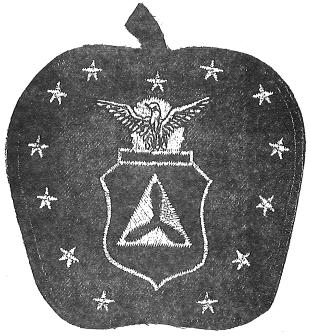
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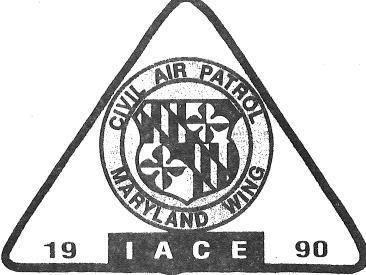
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MacDill Cadet Squadron - Florida Wing



Manhatten Group - New York Wing



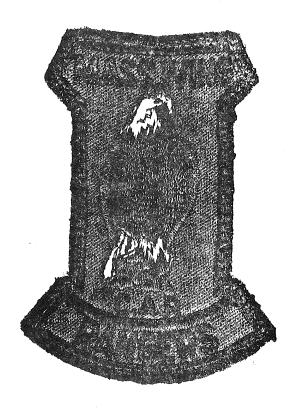
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Marshall Composite Squadron Texas Wing



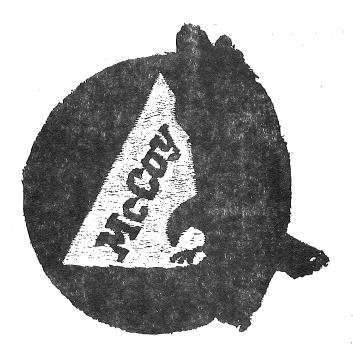
Maui Composite Squadron Hawaii Wing



Massachusetts Wi ng Rangers



McClellan Cadet Squadron 12 California Wing



McCoy Squadron - Florida Wing



McGuire Composite Squadron (New design) New Jersey Wing

Right:

Middle East Region Search and Rescue Competition patch shown with 1983 tab.



McGuire Composite Squadron (Old design) New Jersey Wing

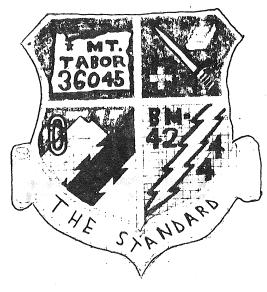


McMinnville Composite Squadron - Oregon Wing





Miami Senior Squadron 1 Florida Wing



Mt. Tabor Composite Squadron Oregon Wing (Sketch shown, and it's not known if patches were ever made.)



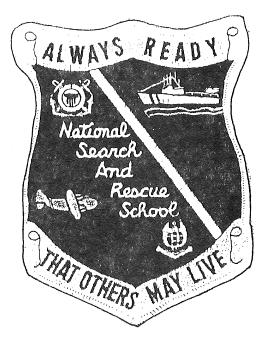
Missouri Wing shoulder tab. Worn on the upper left shoulder in place of the Missouri Wing patch in 1977-1978. Never approved by National Headquarters C.A.P.



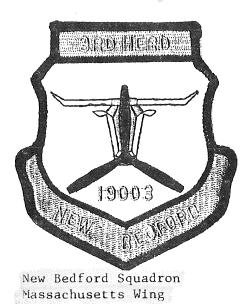
Mount Vernon Squadron - National Capital Wing (This patch was shown on page 30 of Vol. I and incorrectly shown as an Ohio Wing unit.)



National (Headquarters) shoulder tab 1991. For personnel assigned to Nat'l. Headquarters staff.



National Search and Rescue School (Coast Guard Patch)



Right:

New Jersey Wing Rangers. A blue on yellow tab worn above the standard wing shoulder patch by those qualified as Rangers.



Nebraska Wing Headquarters



New Jersey Wing Ground Search and Rescue





Survival Patch - New York Wing Circa 1970, for personnel completing ground team training.



Nike Squadron - Illinois Wing

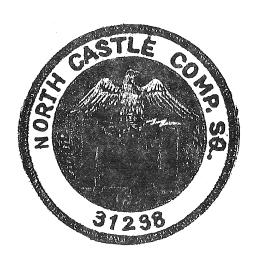


Left: North Haven Cadet Squadron (?) Wing

Right: North Shore Composite Squadron - Illinois Wing



Niagra Frontier Senior Squadron New York Wing



North Castle Composite Squadron New York Wing





Ocean Composite Squadron New Jersey Wing



Ocean Tactical Squadron - New Jersey Wing



Operation Blister patch used from 1984 to 1989. Oregon Wing. Operation Blister was a 9 day survival school.

Right:

The U.S. Army 1st Logistics Command patch was worn in 1989 as an Operation Blister patch with the arrow pointed up instead of in the northeast position as the Army wears it. This was also used in the subdued version by Oregon Wing.





Orlando Composite Squadron Florida Wing

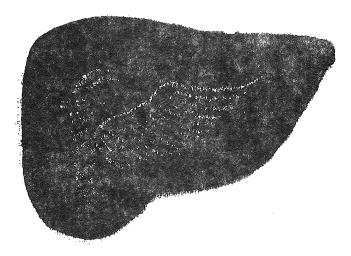


Orange County Group - New Yprk Wing



Parma Cadet Squadron 1103 - Ohio Wing

The patches and tabs shown below are from the Missouri Wing Pathfinder Technical School which is designed to teach ground search and rescue procedure.



Pathfinder Composite Squadron - Oregon Wing (This insignia is a U.S. Army Pathfinders qualification badge-cloth version.)

Pathfinder Technical School, beret patch or "Flash".

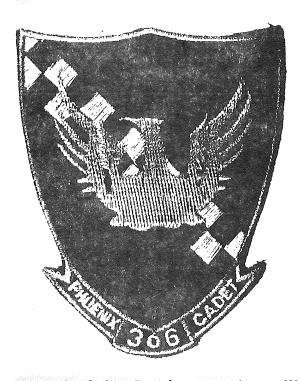








Pegasus Squadron 65 - Texas Wing (2nd design)



Phoenix Cadet Squadron - Arizona Wing



Peregrine Cadet Squadron 402 Ohio Wing



Phoenix Cadet Squadron - Illinois Wing



Pikes Peak Senior Squadron - Colorado Wing (older version)

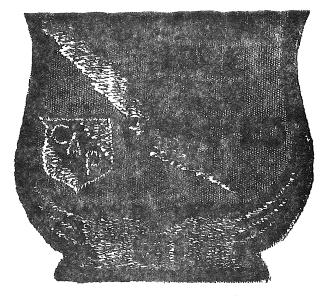
Right:

Pikes Peak Senior Squadron (newer version)





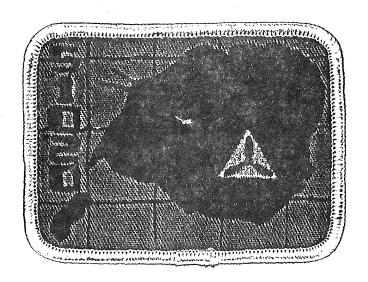
Pineland Composite Squadron New Jersey Wing



Pittsburgh Squadron 611 - Pennsylvania Wing



Pioneer Valley Composite Squadron Massachusetts Wing (Wilbraham)



Port Allen Composite Squadron Hawaii Wing



Port Angeles Squadron - Washington Wing



Prescott Composite Squadron 206 Arizona Wing



Prince William Composite Squadron 102 Virginia Wing (shown with mission pilot and mission observer tabs)



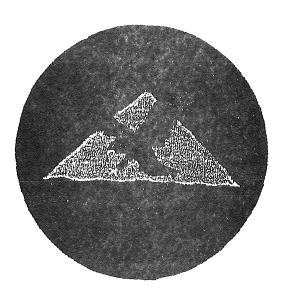
Quinsigamond Composite Squadron Massachusetts Wing



Ranger Tab - Pennsylvania Wing



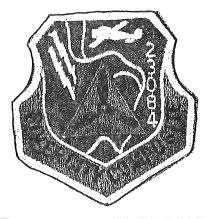
Queens Group - New York Wing



Ranger School - Pennsylvania Wing



Richmond (Virginia) Army Air Base Worn on the right shoulder by Cadets and Seniors that attended the encampment held there in July 1945.



River City Composite Squadron Missouri Wing



Rockland County Squadron New York Wing



Salem County Composite Squadron New Jersey Wing (Older version)



River Park Cadet Squadron Illinois Wing



Rocky Mountain Region (New version of shoulder tab)



Salem County Composite Squadron New Jersey Wing (Newer version)



San Jose Senior Squadron 80 California Wing



San Luis Obispo Squadron 103 California Wing



Santa Cruz Composite Squadron 13 (Black Sheep) California Wing



Santa Fe Composite Squadron - New Mexico Wing



Left:

SARCOMP 86 (1986 Search And Rescue Competition) Great Lakes Region

Right:

Schweiker Squadron New Jersey Wing





Scottsdale Senior Squadron 314 (Black Sheep) Arizona Wing



Seattle Composite Squadron Washington Wing



Seattle Composite Squadron Washington Wing



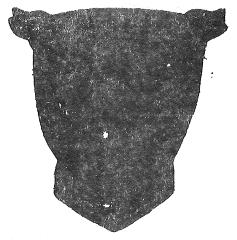
Seminole Cadet Squadron Florida Wing



Sevier County Composite Squadron Ground Teams - Tennessee Wing



Shawnee-Mission Squadron (late 1940's - early 1950's) Kansas Wing



Sierra Blanca Composite Squadron New Mexico Wing (Ruidoso)



South Dakota Wing Rangers



SBCS WOLFPACK

South Brevard Composite Squadron - Florida Wing WITH CHARTER TAB ON TOP

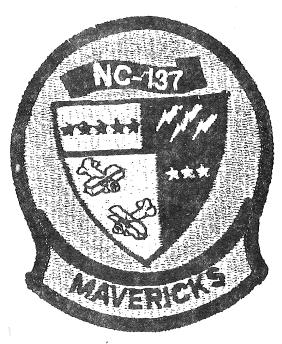
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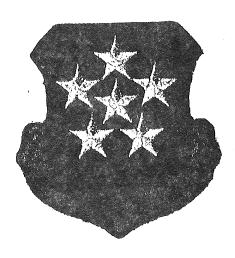
South Dakota Wing Rangers (beret flash)



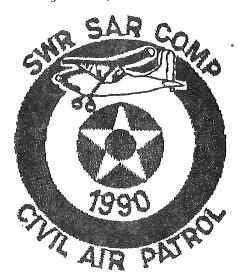
South Lake Group - New Jersey Wing (Was this sketch ever made into a patch?)



South Piedmont Senior Squadron
Month Carolina Wing



Southwest Region Cadet Competition 1991 (Proposed as a new SWR patch to replace those shown in Vol. I, but rejected.)





Southwest Region Cadet Competition 1990

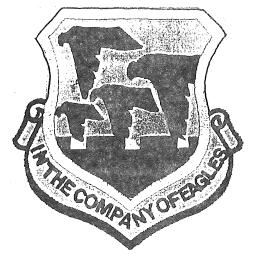


Southwest Region Search and Rescue Competition (Generic patch.)

Southwest Region 1990 Search and Rescue Competition



Special Operations Force - Blue Fire - Southwest Region/Customs Crews



Springfield Composite Squadron Missouri Wing



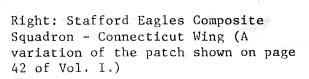
Staten Island Group - New York Wing



St. Charles Composite Squadron Missouri Wing



Stockton Senior Squadron 72 California Wing





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Sundown Patrol - Florida Wing



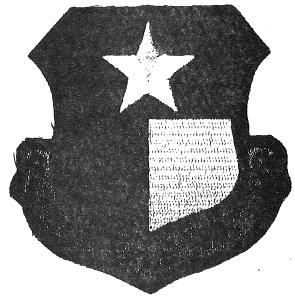
Survival Tab - Pennsylvania Wing (Worn below small Ranger qualification patch.)



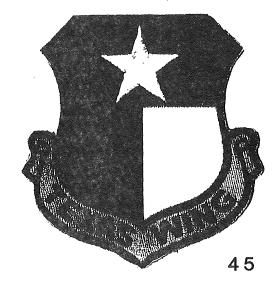
Syracuse Composite Squadron, Land Rescue New York Wing (Were any patches ever made from this sketch?)



Talon Composite Squadron - Texas Wing (Midlothian, Texas)



Texas Wing Staff. The patch above is shown full size and is for wear on baseball caps. The patch shown at left is reduced and is worn as a pocket or shoulder patch. The scroll on the cap patch reads "HQ Texas Wing", and the larger patch only "Texas Wing".

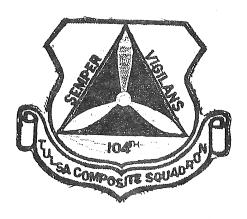




Tew-Mac Composite Squadron - Massachusetts Wing



Thunderbolt Senior Squadron 23
Alabama Wing



Tulsa Composite Squadron 104 Oklahoma Wing



Thunderbird Senior Squadron Texas Wing (Houston)



Tri-Valley Composite Squadron 156 California Wing



Twin Pine Cadet Squadron - New Jersey Wing

Right:



Tyler Composite Squadron - Texas Wing



Union Wesley Cadet Squadron - National Capital Wing



U.S. Naval Academy Squadron Maryland Wing (Annapolis)



Van Dyke Cadet Squadron - Michigan Wing



Left: Vedder Composite Squadron New York Wing



Washington County Composite Squadron No. 1 Oregon Wing



Westchester Cadet Squadron One New York Wing



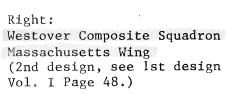
Westchester Group Emergency Services Qualified Aircrews - New York Wing



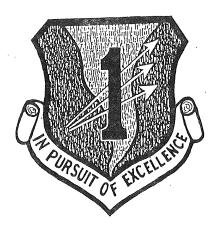
Westchester Squadron - New York Wing (1950's)



Westfield Composite Squadron Massachusetts Wing







Wichita First Composite Squadron - Kansas Wing



Yonkers Composite Squadron - New york Wing



Williams Cadet Squadron 304 Arizona Wing



Yuba-Sutter Composite Squadron 19 California Wing

- 1. 405th (page 3) Unit possibly located near Nellis AFB, Nevada in the 1950's. Anyone have more information?
- 2. Ashland '69 (page 6) This patch was given to Cadets and Senior Members who attended a type "B" encampment held at the Nebrasks Army National Guard Camp at Ashland, Nebraska in 1969 and possibly 1970. This informationwas given to Major William L. Kidnry of the National Historical Committee by 1st Lt. Charles L. Burchess III, of the Lincoln Cadet Squadron, Nebraska Wing.
- 3. Continental Military Institute (page 13) This unit was possibly located in Florida. Can anyone confirm this? (Submitted by Major William Kidney.)
- 4. Littleton (page 25) Is this the patch for the Littleton Senior Squadron in Denver, Colorado?
- 5. Shasta Squadron (page 40) This should read "Shasta Squadron 126". (Submitted by 2nd Lt. Larry Lourenco of the California Wing.)
- Region patch had the red dot on Dallas, Texas as that is where the region headquarters was located when the patch was designed. The SECOND version has the dot or small red star on Oklahoma City when the headquarters was moved there. The third version has the star or the dot moved back to Dallas. Some patches produced after the move back to Dallas eliminated the Oklahoma panhandle from the region map on the patch. The fourth and last version still has the small red star on Dallas, but this version is embroidered on twill whereas all the older versions were fully embroidered.
- 7. West Boward (page 47) This should be "West Broward".