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THE COYOTE'S HOWL

Newsletter of the Coyote Squadron
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UNIT LEADER – It seems like spring has officially sprung and I hope everyone is enjoying the beautiful weather. Dan purchased some chair and table racks, and this will provide easier access to these items during our meetings. Additionally, some spring cleaning has taken place in the hangar and the corner area has been rearranged to set up the SIMSHACK. If anyone has any inputs for this project, please make sure you share them at the meeting so that we can take advantage of everyone's great ideas. Also, the donated aircraft models have been sorted and the best have been set aside for display. So, a Coyote call is out for assistance from anyone having expertise in model airplane repair or display. Bill Carson has been a Great help with the spring cleaning, rearranging, model sorting and storage. Also, Dan Summerall was a "moving force" behind some of the rearranging. Thanks guys couldn't have happened without you!!! **Colonel Warnie Meisetschleager, Unit Leader**



EXECUTIVE OFFICER - Hello Coyotes, the month of March was a series of ups and downs for the XO. High points included formation practice for the Burnet Air Show with my fellow Falcon Flight friends and the low was when we were unable to make the show due to bad weather. On a more positive note, I haven't found the hangar unlocked or the lights left on when I have arrived in the early morning hours. Good job Coyote Squadron members! **Colonel Steve Richmond, Executive Officer**

FINANCE OFFICER - Finances are right about where they should be for this time of year, although our expenses are higher than last year due to higher maintenance costs on both airplanes, increased insurance costs, and inflation overall. Donations are critical as we head into the year and especially as we approach the Airshow October 12. Please get those donations flowing! **Colonel Frank DeArmond, Finance Officer**

ADJUTANT - Hi Everyone, It's April, no fooling! Coyote and CAF spring activities have begun! Texas Bluebonnets are alive! Great to view, but not to pick! Anyway, keep your membership renewals coming. I hope to have information available on how everyone can process the CAF Hold Harmless online and notify each CAF group with which you participate. If you are experienced with Microsoft Access, I need your help. I've heard there is a way

of working with Excel through the Access interface. If you know how, please let me know. The April meeting looks to be fun. We're looking forward to seeing you! **Colonel Alan Pavik, Adjutant**

OPERATIONS OFFICER – Upcoming events:

- Saturday April 13- Squadron meeting 0930-1300 Lunch provided by Col and Mrs. Meisetschleager- Lasagna
- Mineral Wells Flyin T-34 will attend from 1000-1600. **Looking for a loadmaster who would like to go along.**
- Saturday April 20- Civil Air Patrol Open House recruiting event 1000-1400. The Cadets will do the set up and clean up but I will **need someone to open up the hangar** for them. I will be available after noon to help close up.
- Saturday April 27 – 1300-1600 Retirement party Mr (Capt) Chris Pierce POC is Frank DeArmond. He is looking for a **couple of volunteers at 1100 for setup** for the event.
- Saturday April 27th is also Derrick Days. We will have the ambulance set up at spot 13A on the East side of Beaton four spaces south of 5th Ave.. If you are able to help out please let Dottie know this Saturday.

Special thanks again to our Maintenance Officer for reinstalling the PT-19 tailwheel and putting the T-34 back together. Thomas puts in more hours than most people know.

We love flying the PT-19 with its “new” tailwheel. It is a real pleasure to taxi around and land. We just didn't know what we were missing. **Colonel Dan Summerall, Operations Officer**

MAINTENANCE OFFICER – The PT-19 has completed its annual maintenance inspection. We are awaiting our sign offs from Will. It also had its biannual transponder check so we are good for another two years. The T-34 will be due for its annual maintenance inspection in May. **Colonel Thomas Cozart, Maintenance Officer**

SAFETY OFFICER - Distracted driving:

- 1: Put away your phone. Silence your phone and store it in a location that is out of reach while driving to lower the temptation to check it.
- 2: Plan your trip before you leave. Plan your fuel, eats, rest stops.
- 3: Don't fumble with your playlist.
- 4: Secure passengers. Make sure passengers wear seatbelts in front and back.
- 5: Avoid multitasking. do not try to text, eat, or reach for objects while driving.
- 6: Stay focused. Pay attention to the vehicles on the roads and traffic that surrounds you.

Colonel Michale Porter, Safety Officer

AIRSHO - Grant writing- I have been putting together several grants and will continue to do so. Some will be going out in the near future as soon as we have all the necessary documentation, *and our very own original Margie Taylor Poster!* The poster is in printing right now – it's quite original and represents our silver anniversary very well! Thanks Margie!

AIRSHO COORDINATION- Dan and I continue to make progress on getting the necessary piece parts of the Airshow put together; many moving parts not necessarily always going in the direction we want them to, but Dan is a master of herding cats. Performers are getting lined up, hotel reservations are ready, and about a thousand other things are being worked on. Please, volunteers are as important as donations, if we don't have either the Airshow won't happen. But we know it will happen, so please volunteer for something that is open, we really need you! (Visualize Uncle Sam pointing his finger at you!)

For all the CAF units that are reading this newsletter, if you have not gotten an invitation to our October 12th Airsho, please contact Dan Summerall at dsummerall@nctv.com to let us know you would like to participate.

Colonel Frank DeArmond, Airsho Coordinator

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