



Press Release

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Carello Takes Command of New York Wing; Promoted to Colonel

New York-- On Wednesday January 25th 2017, North East Region Commander Colonel Daniel Leclair administered the Oath of Command to Lieutenant Colonel Thomas Carello. Carello had served as NY's interim Wing Commander since last October.

On Saturday, February 4th 2017 Colonel Carello was presented with his grade insignia by Colonel Jack Ozer and Colonel Ken Andreu, acting on behalf of the NER/CC, Colonel Dan LeClair at an event in Long Island, NY.

Colonel Carello joined CAP in 1971. Since that time he has served in many roles in New York Wing to include; Commander of the Central New York Group from 2002-2006, New York Wing Chief of Staff from 2006-2010, and as the Wing's Vice Commander since 2010.

He holds "Master" ratings in the Command and Communications specialty tracks and is a qualified Mission Observer and Radio Operator.

During a recent cadet activity at the NY Wing Cadet Education Center in Syracuse, Colonel Carello, looking at a group of about 16 Cadets said "This is why I am here, I believe in this program. It is all about the Cadets."

Carello is the VP Business of Development at Kishmish, Inc in Syracuse, NY. He volunteers as the zoning board chairman for the Town of Dewitt.

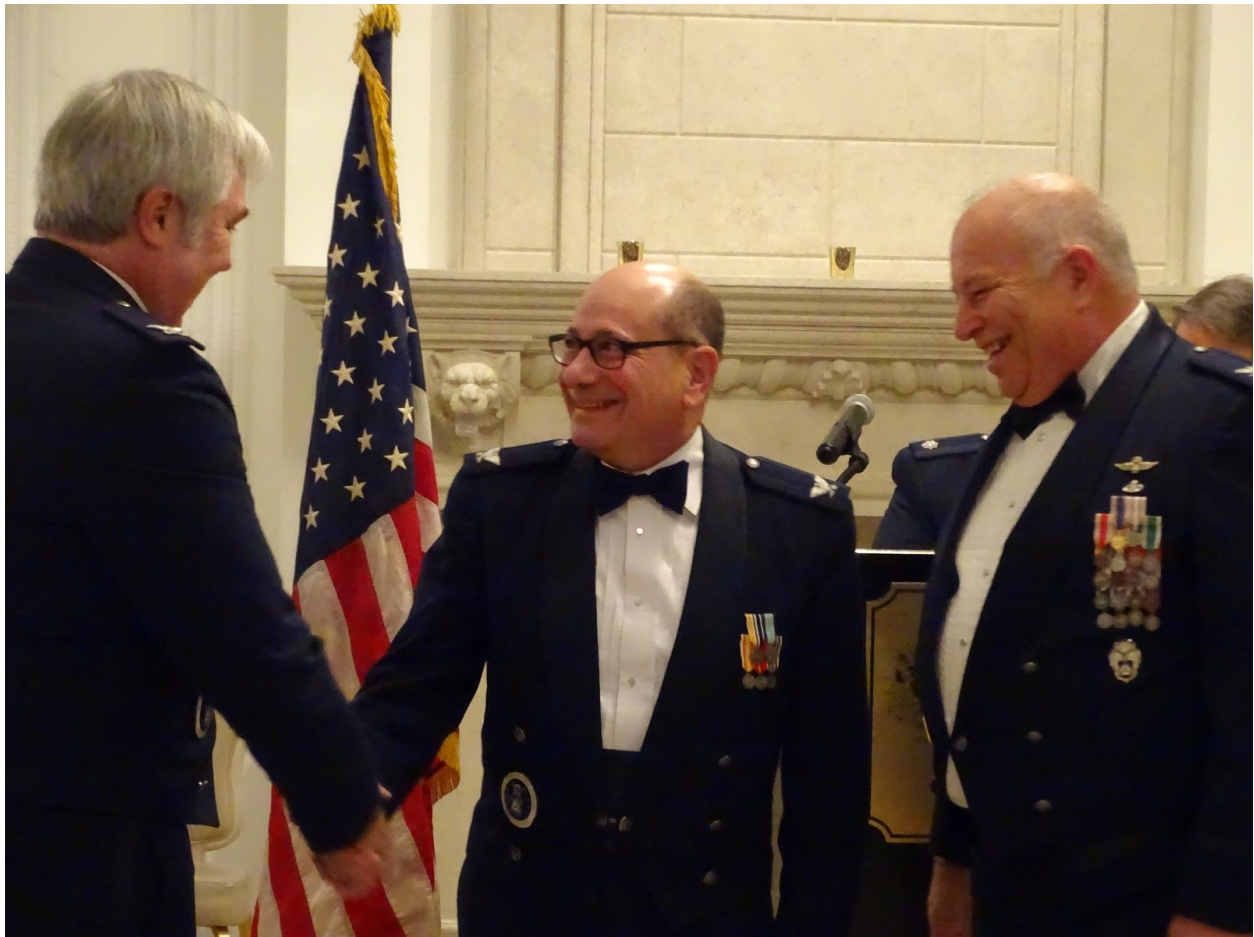
Civil Air Patrol, the longtime all-volunteer U.S. Air Force auxiliary, is the newest member of the Air Force's Total Force, which consists of regular Air Force, Air National Guard and Air Force Reserve, along with Air Force retired military and civilian employees. CAP, in its Total Force role, operates a fleet of 550 aircraft and performs about 90 percent of continental U.S. inland search and rescue missions as tasked by the Air Force Rescue Coordination Center and is credited by the AFRCC with saving an average of 78 lives annually. Civil Air Patrol's 56,000 members nationwide also perform homeland security, disaster relief and drug interdiction missions at the request of federal, state and local agencies. Its members additionally play a leading role in aerospace education and serve as mentors



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to more than 24,000 young people currently participating in the CAP cadet program. Performing missions for America for the past 75 years, CAP received the Congressional Gold Medal in 2014 in honor of the heroic efforts of its World War II veterans. CAP also participates in Wreaths Across America, an initiative to remember, honor and teach about the sacrifices of U.S. military veterans. Visit www.capvolunteernow.com for more information.





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