STANTON, MN – On Tuesday, January 30, 2018, the new Stanton Flight of Civil Air Patrol will celebrate its first year anniversary. To mark the event, the unit is holding an open house on Tuesday, January 30, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. at the Stanton Airfield, 1235 Highway 19, Stanton MN 55018. The public is cordially invited to attend.

The evening will begin with a short briefing for potential members, and finish with questions & answers and refreshments. Both cadets and senior members of the flight will be on hand to demonstrate some of the unit activities to tell you more about the Civil Air Patrol.

The Stanton Flight was organized as a detachment of the Red Wing Composite Squadron, commanded by Major Stephen Wall of Red Wing. Second Lieutenant Jeffrey Rezac of Northfield is the Flight Commander for the new unit.

The Stanton Flight of Civil Air Patrol meets weekly, 7:00 p.m. each Tuesday, in the operations building at Stanton Airfield, 1235 Highway 19, Stanton, MN 55018. All members of the community are welcome to visit. For more information, contact 2d Lt Jeffrey Rezac (jreza532@earthlink.net) or Captain Randall Knox (rsknox@gmail.com).

## About the Civil Air Patrol

Civil Air Patrol (CAP), 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 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.

## **About Stanton Airfield**

Stanton Airfield is a privately-owned, public airport located between the Twin Cities and Rochester, Minnesota. Pilots from all over the Midwest come to Stanton for the nostalgic feel, open skies, friendly atmosphere and to experience some of the greatest grass runway flying in the Midwest. Stanton Airfield is also home to the Minnesota Soaring Club. Stanton Airfield, is owned by Stanton Sport Aviation, a shareholder-owned Minnesota corporation managed by a Board of Directors. Unlike most airports, no federal, state, or local financial support is received.

Dedicated owners and volunteers are the backbone of our organization. Stanton Airfield seeks to preserve grass roots aviation and provide a place for people to pursue recreational aviation now and into the future. For more information, visit www.stantonairfield.com.