



BIOGRAPHY

CIVIL AIR PATROL



MAJOR JAMES L. NOVA

Major James L. Nova is the Vice Commander of the Arizona Wing, Civil Air Patrol. Maj Nova has established five ongoing goals for the Wing. They are: Increase the open communication among all Wing members; Increase Branding of the Arizona Wing by increasing public and governmental awareness of CAP's function goals, programs and successes of the Wing; Make the State of Arizona Legislature and governmental departments aware of the capacities, capabilities, and needs of the Wing; Improve our Recruiting and Retention programs; and Continually seek to improve our operational efficiency



EDUCATION:

1957-1961 - Dartmouth College, A.B. Degree;
1960-1962 – Amos Tuck School Of Business Administration, MBA Degree;
1962-1962 – U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Officer Basic School;
2001-2003 – Concord Law School

CAP EDUCATION

2001 Squadron Leadership School
2003 Corporate Learning Course
2004 Senior Officer Course
2005 Unit Commanders' Course
2007 Regional Staff College
2008 National Staff College
2008 Public Affairs Academy
FEMA Courses: 100, 200, 300, 800

MILITARY ASSIGNMENTS:

Major Nova served as a 1st Lieutenant in the Army Corps of Engineers in active service from July 1962 to July 1964 and in the active reserve from August 1964 to August 1966

- October 1962 to March 1963 – U.S. Army Engineers, Platoon Leader
- March 1962 to November 1963 – U.S. Army Engineers, Group S-1
- November 1963 to July 1964 – U.S. Army Engineers, Division Asst. S-3

CAP ASSIGNMENTS:

April 1999 to March 2000 – AZWG, Scottsdale Squadron 314
March 2000 to July 2005 – AZWG, Scottsdale Squadron 314 Public Affairs Officer
July 2005 to December 2005 – AZWG, Scottsdale Squadron 314 Deputy Commander
December 2005 to August 2006 – AZWG Scottsdale Squadron 314 Commander
August 2006 to April 2008 – AZWG Group III, Commander
January 2008 to December 2008 – AZWG Chief, Public Affairs
December 2008 to Present – AZWG Vice Wing Commander

FLIGHT INFORMATION:

Single and Multi-Engine, Commercial, Instrument Rated Pilot with 950 hrs.

SPECIALTY TRACKS

Master Rating in Public Affairs
Enrolled in IG Specialty Track

MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS:

Military decorations include the National Defense Service Medal and the Korea Defense Medal.

Civil Air Patrol Awards include the CAP Meritorious Service Award; the CAP Commanders Commendation Award with three bronze clasps; CAP Unit Citation Award CAP Gill Robb Wilson Award (eligible 1 Nov 08); CAP Paul E. Garber Award; CAP Grover Loening Award; CAP Leadership Ribbon with star; CAP Membership Ribbon; Gen Chuck E. Yeager Award; CAP Command Service Ribbon; and CAP Red Service Ribbon

EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION:

July 2006 - Major
December 2004 - Captain
August 1999 – 1st Lieutenant