

# ***FALCON FAMILY NEWS***

**FEBRUARY 2008**

## **CLASS STATISTICS (as of 31 Jan 2008)**

	Men	Women	Cum
2008	843	188	1031
2009	899	179	1078
2010	901	206	1107
2011	944	237	1181
<b>WING</b>	<b>3587</b>	<b>810</b>	<b>4397</b>

## **SPRING BREAK**

Spring Break begins after LMD on 20 March and sign in is no later than 7:00pm on 30 March.

LMD will be after noon meal or last class of training, whichever comes later (if a cadet has a class after lunch, she or he cannot depart until after the class). Cadets are advised to make no flight arrangements earlier than 2 hours after LMD from Colorado Springs Airport or 3 hours from Denver International Airport.

## **CADET WING MEDIA**

Recent Academy Intercollegiate Sports Photos Now Available Online ...

If your cadet is a member of an Academy intercollegiate sports program, Cadet Wing Media has posted new images including: Fencing, Soccer, Golf, Water Polo, Volleyball and Football at the following Internet address: [www.printroom.com/pro/afaphotos](http://www.printroom.com/pro/afaphotos). Check it out, tell others about the galleries, and watch for all sorts of cadet activities updated/posted in the weeks and months ahead. For more information about photos or other available products, call Cadet Wing Media at: 719-333-4644.

## **CADET AWARDS PROGRAM**

The Cadet Awards Program offers incentives to cadets for higher achievements in academic, athletic, leadership, military training and related activities by public recognition at the Individual Awards Ceremony which takes place on Memorial Day (26 May 08) prior to graduation. The awards foster unit and individual competition and enhance morale. There is currently one cadet award available for sponsorship which is the Men's Most Valuable Golf

Player Award. Please contact Ms. Cathy Wedo, Chief of Cadet Awards, at (719) 333-4410, if your club is interested in sponsoring this award.

### **APPOINTEE ORIENTATION – CLASS OF 2012**

The sessions for 2008 are 14-15, 21-22 and 28-29 April. These orientations are a Monday-Tuesday program designed to provide the appointees with the opportunity to become acquainted with the mission, operation, facilities, and faculty of the Academy. They will have the occasion to talk to members of the staff as well as the cadets. Monday is a full day of briefings by the senior staff. Late Monday afternoon, each appointee will be assigned an upper class cadet and will sleep in the dorm. On Tuesday, each appointee will shadow his/her cadet, attending classes and eating at Mitchell Hall. This orientation is not mandatory, but does provide the appointees the benefit of learning “what’s ahead” and should help them make their decision whether or not to proceed.

On each Tuesday afternoon, a walking tour of the cadet area is available to the parents. These tours are conducted by staff members of the Association of Graduates. Sign up for the tour can be done on line (Appointee Registration) or on Monday morning in Arnold Hall (where the briefings are held). This is a “walking” tour and not recommended for those who are physically challenged.

To register for an orientation, use the following internet site:

<https://admissions.usafa.edu/RRX/appointeeregistration.htm>

Cut off for registration is Thursday before each session.

### **RECOGNITION AND PROP AND WINGS**

Recognition for the Class of 2011 will take place 13-15 March 2008. After the class has been recognized, the cadets are authorized to wear the standard chrome-plated prop and wings device on their flight caps. Cadets who are direct descendents of members of the Army Air Corps, Women Air Force Service Pilots (WASP), have a parent with at least 20 years of military service, or if either parent participated in combat as a member of any U.S. military service or if a parent died in the line of duty are authorized to wear the gold prop and wings device.

### **SPRING DATES**

Spring Break: 20-30 Mar

Dean’s Weekend: 10-11 May (no military activities so cadets can study)

Finals: 12-16 May

Graduation: 28 May

Class of 2012 in-processes: 26 Jun

First summer session: 1-21 Jun

Second summer session: 22 Jun-12 Jul

Third summer session: 13 Jul-2 Aug

