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Maj. Malachowski, USAF, #3/Right Wing, Thunderbird Pilot, surrounded by cadets after an inspiring and motivational meeting.

## CADETS FROM NORTHERN CALIFORNIA MEET THUNDERBIRD PILOT

CALIFORNIA – Eugene L. Carnahan Cadet Squadron 85 hosted several CAP members from northern California at the second annual Capital Air Show, June 9 and 10, 2007. In a showing of cooperation and enthusiasm for aviation, 35 cadets and eight senior members from nine different squadrons participated in flight line control before an estimated crowd of over 100,000. Squadrons form northern California and the San Francisco Bay area included: Sacramento Composite Sq. 14, East Bay Cadet Sq. 18, Travis

Composite Sq.22, Marin Air Rescue Sq.23, Diablo Composite Sq. 44, Sierra Composite Sq.72, Auburn Composite Sq. 92 and Redwood Empire Composite Sq. 157.

Although the main attraction was the performing Thunderbirds, the highlight of the activity was a 45 minute private meeting with Maj. Malachowski, #3/Right Wing. Having been a former CAP Cadet Capt. and a member of the California and Nevada Wings, Maj. Malachowski stressed to the cadets the importance of good grades, not hanging out with bad crowds, self esteem and staying away from drugs and alcohol. After her open discussion and questions and answers, she signed autographs and provided personal photo opportunities for the cadets.

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