



BIOGRAPHY

UNITED STATES AIR FORCE AUXILIARY CIVIL AIR PATROL

MAJOR JOSEPH W. (JOE) HIGHMAN, CAP

Major Joseph W. (Joe) Highman, CAP, is the squadron commander of the Columbus Senior Squadron (GLR-OH-085) and the personnel officer for Group VIII, Ohio Wing. He is responsible for the daily operational and administrative aspects of the squadron and mentors all members on their continued professional development.

Major Highman joined Civil Air Patrol as a cadet in January 1984 and again in January 1990. He served various echelons as a cadet and senior member before exiting the program to enlist in the U.S. Army where he served as a Radiology Sergeant. He returned to Civil Air Patrol in October 2012.

Major Highman is employed as a Systems Analyst for OhioHealth in Columbus, Ohio.



EDUCATION AND PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

- 1995 Civil Air Patrol Squadron Leadership School
- 1995 Civil Air Patrol Aerospace Education for Senior Member General Chuck Yeager Award
- 2000 Associate's Degree of Applied Science, Computer Information Technology Systems Engineering, Edison State Community College, Piqua, OH
- 2003 U.S. Army Basic Combat Training
- 2005 U.S. Army Non-Commissioned Officer Primary Leadership Subjects
- 2005 U.S. Army Non-Commissioned Officer Basic Leadership Subjects
- 2012 Civil Air Patrol General Benjamin O. Davis Award
- 2012 Civil Air Patrol Officer Basic Course
- 2013 Civil Air Patrol Unit Commander's Course
- 2013 Civil Air Patrol Corporate Learning Course
- 2014 Civil Air Patrol Grover Loening Aerospace Award (Level III)
- 2014 Bachelor of Science in Health Sciences Professional Development, Grand Canyon University, Phoenix, AZ
- 2015 Civil Air Patrol Training Leaders of Cadets
- 2015 Civil Air Patrol Paul E. Garber Award (Level IV)
- 2015 U.S. Air Force Squadron Officer School

ASSIGNMENTS

- December 2012 – Jan 2016, Health Services Officer, Columbus Senior Squadron
- December 2012 – Jan 2016, Safety Officer, Columbus Senior Squadron
- December 2013 – Jan 2016, Personnel Officer, Columbus Senior Squadron
- February 2014 – Jul 2015, Deputy Director of Professional Development, Ohio Wing
- February 2014 – June 2015, Assistant Administrative Officer, Columbus Senior Squadron
- October 2014 – Present, Administrative Officer, Group VIII
- October 2014 – Present, Personnel Officer, Group VIII
- June 2015 – Jan 2016, Deputy Commander, Columbus Senior Squadron
- June 2015 – Feb 2016, Professional Development Officer, Columbus Senior Squadron
- Jan 2016 – Present, Commander, Columbus Senior Squadron

RATINGS AND QUALIFICATIONS

Administration Specialty Track, Master Rating
Air Operations Branch Director
Civil Air Patrol Aircrew Rating
Civil Air Patrol Observer Rating
Civil Air Patrol VFR Pilot Rating
Health Services Specialty Track, Senior Rating
Mission Radio Operator
Mission Scanner
Mission Staff Assistant
Mission Safety Officer
Personnel Specialty Track, Master Rating
Professional Development Specialty Track, Master Rating
Safety Specialty Track, Master Rating
Skills Evaluator

AWARDS AND DECORATIONS

Army Achievement Medal
Army Reserve Component Achievement Medal
National Defense Service Medal
Army Service Ribbon
Civil Air Patrol Commander's Commendation Award (Region)
Civil Air Patrol Commander's Commendation Award (Wing) with three bronze triangular clasps
Civil Air Patrol Achievement Award with two bronze triangular clasps
Civil Air Patrol Unit Citation Award, Columbus Senior Squadron, 2016
Civil Air Patrol Paul E Garber Award with bronze star attachment
Civil Air Patrol Grover Loening Aerospace Award
Civil Air Patrol Leadership Award with three silver star attachments
Civil Air Patrol Membership Award
Civil Air Patrol Brigadier General Charles E. "Chuck" Yeager Award
Civil Air Patrol Charles A Lindbergh Achievement
Civil Air Patrol Command Service Ribbon
Civil Air Patrol Red Service Ribbon with three bronze triangular clasps
Civil Air Patrol Search "Find" Ribbon with bronze three-bladed propeller device
Civil Air Patrol Community Service Ribbon
Civil Air Patrol Encampment Ribbon with bronze triangular clasp
Civil Air Patrol Senior Recruiter Ribbon

Ohio Wing Senior Member of the Year, 2016
Ohio Wing Professional Development Officer of the Year, 2015

EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION

Civil Air Patrol Senior Member August 1990
Civil Air Patrol First Lieutenant Nov. 2000
U.S. Army Private First Class April 2003
U.S. Army Specialist May 2004
U.S. Army Sergeant July 2005
Civil Air Patrol Captain June 2014
Civil Air Patrol Major June 2017

(Current as of December 2017)