



PUTNAM COUNTY COMPOSITE SQUADRON

Paladin Center, 39 Seminary Hill Road
Carmel, New York 10512

NY033PCCS@gmail.com

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

November 17, 2016

Putnam County Composite Squadron conducting sponsorship drive for Wreaths Across America Day

CARMEL, New York – November 17, 2016 – Civil Air Patrol’s Putnam County Composite Squadron is conducting a wreath sponsorship drive from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Saturday, November 26, 2016, at ShopRite, 184 Route 52, Carmel, New York. The squadron will place the wreaths on the graves of veterans in the Raymond Hill Cemetery, across from ShopRite, on Wreaths Across America Day which takes place on December 17, 2016.

As a key partner in Wreaths Across America, Civil Air Patrol ensures the sacrifices of our nation’s soldiers are not forgotten. By sponsoring one or more wreaths you honor local veterans for their service. A \$15 sponsorship will pay for one wreath made of live greenery to be placed on a veteran's grave. There are approximately 400 veterans buried at the Raymond Hill Cemetery.

Putnam County Composite Squadron Commander, Captain Elena MacDermant, said wreaths can also be purchased online at www.WreathsAcrossAmerica.org through November 28, 2016. Online purchasers have to ensure they enter “NYRHCC” in the location code so wreaths are delivered to Raymond Hill Cemetery.

Members of the Putnam County Composite Squadron meet on Friday’s from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. at the Paladin Center, located at 39 Seminary Hill Road, Carmel, NY. For additional information contact Captain MacDermant at (845) 216-5433 or Elenamac@aol.com.

Civil Air Patrol, 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.



PUTNAM COUNTY COMPOSITE SQUADRON

*Paladin Center, 39 Seminary Hill Road
Carmel, New York 10512*

NY033PCCS@gmail.com

####

Contact: Major Peter Milano, Civil Air Patrol
Public Affairs, Putnam County Composite Squadron
(845) 656-1452
pjmilano@comcast.net