

Arkansas Wing Spatz Awards

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Established in 1964, the award honors the late General Carl A. Spatz, who became the first Air Force Chief of Staff on September 26, 1947. When Congress designated the Civil Air Patrol as the official Auxiliary of the U.S. Air Force on May 26, 1948, General Spatz was appointed CAP's first National Board chairman. Fewer than 1% of CAP cadets earn this award and less than 1,800 have been presented since its inception in 1964.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Date of Award</u>	<u>Award #</u>
Charles G. Bishop, Jr.	June 1, 1973	#219
Craig C. Harbuck	September 26, 1974	#293
Stephen W. Wilson	June 10, 1985	#751
Justin E. Pitts	February 28, 1989	#930
Chris W. McLellan	May 24, 1990	#1001
Richard M. Operhall	May 24, 1990	#1002
Lannie C. Byrd IV	December 10, 1990	#1035
Wade D. Brock	January 20, 1992	#1091
Todd R. Holmes	January 31, 1992	#1097
Joseph C. Pullen	August 26, 1992	#1130
Kay Dickson	October 19, 1992	#1138
Jared Mandella	January 6, 1996	#1283
Kevin J. Fromm	April 6, 1999	#1397
Annika Fitzpatrick	July 1, 2002	#1462
Michael L. Parker	March 30, 2004	#1526
Jonathan D. VerHoeven	April 10, 2004	#1528
Samuel Arthur-Ross Macheak	June 5, 2008	#1697