

Redlands Police Air Support Unit honors 11 volunteer pilots

The Redlands Police Department recently honored several volunteer pilots for their service to the department's Air Support Unit.

Since creation of the Redlands Police Department Air Support Unit in 2007, volunteers have donated more than 8,600 hours of their time piloting and co-piloting the Cessna 172 airplane used by the department for patrol, surveillance and emergency response. Lt. Shawn Ryan and Officer Justin Jimenez, who supervise the unit, presented silver stars last month to 11 volunteers for every 250 hours individually.

The following volunteers were recognized:

Terry Harbison: 914 hours = 3 silver stars

Marc Tilson: 672 hours = 2 silver stars

Mike Manning: 695 hours = 2 silver stars

Marty Kusch: 264 hours = 1 silver star

Peter Rohl: 266 hours = 1 silver star

Peter Krok: 321 hours = 1 silver star

Bill Angliss: 327 hours = 1 silver star

Erick Escobar: 430 hours = 1 silver star

Merrick Cohn: 436 hours = 1 silver star

Scott Gibbons: 458 hours = 1 silver star

John Quigley: 489 hours = 1 silver star

Larry Savaglio: 461 hours = 1 silver star



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Eleven volunteer pilots with the Redlands Police Department's Air Support Unit were honored by Unit Supervisors Officer Justin Jimenez (center) and Lt. Shawn Ryan (right).

The Air Support Unit, using volunteer pilots, many of whom are retired law enforcement officers, and a specially outfitted Cessna 172 provides patrol and surveillance support to Redlands Police officers and special units on the

ground.

The air support program is paid for out of drug asset seizure funds, designated for use in narcotics-related law enforcement purposes, traffic impound funds, designated for use with traffic related enforcement and from private dona-

tions. None of the program's funding comes from the city's General Fund, the money used to pay for traditional city obligations such as street maintenance and repair, tree trimming, police and firefighters and other personnel.

The Air Support Unit patrols the

city's streets, neighborhoods and canyon areas, assisting ground units and providing surveillance assistance to specialized units and serving as a force multiplier, dramatically increasing the crime control effectiveness of the Police Department's current efforts.

N. American premier of work by German composer

The North American premiere of a work by up-and-coming German composer Moritz Eggert will be Wednesday, March 16, when the Cal State San Bernardino Symphonic Band performs in the university's Recital Hall.

Supported through a grant from the Alemannia Music Foundation and funds from the German Consulate of Los Angeles, the presentation of "Progression and Three Marches from Processional" begins at 7:30 p.m. The often controversial composer, Moritz Eggert, wrote "Processional" in 2007 and the work was first performed outdoors in Graz, Austria.

The program at CSUSB also will feature a number of works by American composers, including works by Pulitzer Prize-winners Joan Tower and David Del Tredici.

Moritz Eggert, born in 1965, has attracted increasing interest as a writer of engaging, theatrical and approachable music. Educated at the Hochschule für Musik in Munich and the Guildhall School in Music in London, he has won a number of prominent international awards for his music. His "soccer oratorio" for the Ruhrtriennale 2005 and his music for the opening ceremonies of the 2006 FIFA World Cup in Germany experienced widespread media coverage in German and foreign media.

Tickets for the concert are \$10 for general admission, \$8 for senior citizens and \$5 for CSUSB students with I.D. Parking is \$5 per vehicle. For more information, call the CSUSB music department box office at (909) 537-7516 or visit the web site at music.csusb.edu.

Community invited to free Stop the Violence fair

San Bernardino High School invites the community to its Saturday, March 12 Stop the Violence Fair from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. The free event, sponsored by Project R.A.G.E. Inc., is designed to help families find alternatives to the violence in their communities. Event speakers will discuss a range of topics, such as how after-school programs can provide safe, constructive activities for children and teenagers and the importance of working together as a community to stop the violence.

Keynote speaker Terrance Stone, founder and president of Young Visionaries Youth Leadership Academy, will focus on the importance of putting down the pistols and picking up pen and pencil because the best way to stop the violence is through education. Stone is a former gang member. Having spent 10 years of his life behind bars, Stone is now committed to helping young people in the Inland Empire learn from his mistakes.

Featured workshops include CAPS (Creative After-school Programs for Success), Technical Schools & College Offers, Women of Worth & Teen Dating Violence, and Neighborhood Watch & Working Together.

A free lunch, goodie bags, and door prizes will be offered to everyone who attends, while supplies last. L.A.X. Boyz, the Los Angeles-based hip hop trio, will provide free entertainment during the Fair. The L.A.X. Boyz have performed with artists including Ludacris, Jim Jones, Jazze Pha, Trey Songz, and Colby O'Donis.

Good dental habits should begin before the first tooth appears.



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