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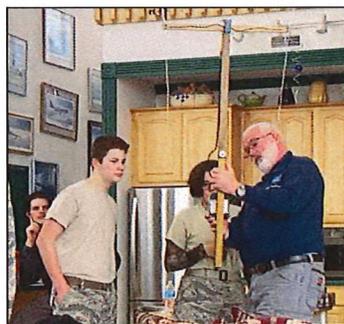
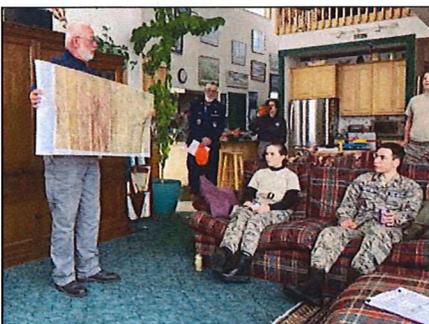
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WING TIPS

- **GROUND TEAM TRAINING:** Because the January Search and Rescue Exercise (SAREX) was cancelled due to bad weather we took the opportunity to do some basic ground team training (GTM) in the Black Hills on Saturday, 11 January. 18 members showed up, including nine cadets who had never participated in a SAREX. Most completed nearly all of their pre-requisites for GTM3 and got some field training to boot. More advanced members were able to check off the few remaining tasks to complete GTM3, GTM2 and GTM1 operations qualifications. Col. Small gave the safety briefing and overview of activities. Maj. Collister spent time with more experienced ground team members helping complete needed tasks. Col. Small worked with the first timers to go over GTM3 prerequisites.



- **NEW WING COMMANDER:** Col. Aye, North Central Region Commander sends: “NCR recently facilitated the selection process for the position of South Dakota Wing Commander. The Selection Advisory Committee met 11 January, and I am pleased to announce the next South Dakota Wing Commander will be Col (select) Nicholas J. Gengler. He will take command in May at the South Dakota Wing Conference.