Meet 3rd Tuesday of each month (except July and August)
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Board Meetings 2nd Tuesday at 6:30PM each month (Open to all members)

Next Meeting Notice
Tues., Dec 15, 2009 • 7:00PM
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Tues, Jan. 19, 2010 • 7:00PM
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“If It’s In Plain Sight…
It Will Take Flight!”

“IPod, purse, wallet—so close and yet so far,
in your haste,
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and that’s fine—
I TAKE what belongs to you…
now what’s yours is mine!”
~ Opportunistic Criminal Poet, Unknown

Tis the season for pre-holiday “shopping sprees,” from your vehicle to a thief’s hands. Norfolk Police remind you to keep your vehicle’s contents secure. Car breaks-ins continue as a crime of opportunity that residents can help prevent. Avoid further increase of these break-ins this year by being mindful of the following tips.
• Don’t leave any items in plain sight; always lock your car doors.
• Park in well lighted areas, if possible.
• Remove GPS systems [to include rubber suction mounting device] from sight when away from car.

“Foil Car Break-ins,” see page 6

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The President’s Beat
Dear Membership,
Thank you for your attendance at November’s General Meeting; and to all who donated to the FOP Cops and Kids, a very special thank you.

It’s hard to believe that the next time we will be together at our regular General Meeting, it will be January 2010. In October CPAAAN celebrated our Tenth Year Anniversary, so 2010 marks the beginning of a new decade for all of us.

Christmas and New Year is a time when most of us reflect on the past year. We think of the events that have taken place, the things we are proud of, and some things we wish we could change. This year I became your President, and at the moment I was both reflective and focused on the future of CPAAAN. My vision is for CPAAAN to be a member-friendly Organization. I would like to see more of our members participating in Fund Raising and Recruiting. I would ask that you think about why you joined CPAAAN and if you are doing all you can do to help sustain our Organization.

Remember, the greatest gift you can give is to give of yourself, and your time and efforts. From the CPAAAN Board and me to you, Happy Holidays.

~ Yvette Brown, President

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Officer Jerry Nowell and Officer Robert Chambers know exactly who has their backs on any given day; a couple of red tongued, four legged, loud barking good ole boys named Rufus and Deuce. The 19 and 11-year veteran officers, respectively, of the Norfolk Police Department are members of the K-9 Unit, and were recently awarded for their handling skills at the Virginia Police Work Dog Association’s Iron Dog Competition last month in Blacksburg, Virginia. The Officers and their dogs took on a mile and a half course with mountainous terrain, and several tough obstacles. Officer Nowell and his dog Deuce secured first place in the overall bracket of 40 participants. Officer Chambers and his dog Rufus placed twelfth in the overall bracket of 40 participants. Both Officers were also recognized for their competitive efforts by the department’s Chief of Police, Bruce P. Marquis.

Most people would concur that when they see K-9 on TV, or on their own city streets, thoughts often race to Hi-Def-like images of drug busts or bomb searches in buildings, in the wake of 911. While it’s true canines handle those duties, they are also charged with other responsibilities. Officer Nowell explains, “These dogs also supplement the patrol divisions and help execute search warrants; the dogs are trained for a purpose.” Officer Chambers believes there is often a misnomer that K-9 dogs are vicious. Not true, say Chambers, “The dogs have sociability. Working with and training a dog is like working with a three year old. To see them evolve in their work every day is incredible and, depending on their health, they can work up to ten years. They have great longevity!”

Officer Nowell, who has worked in the K-9 Unit for nearly half of his 19 years with Norfolk Police, says hands down that, “this is the best job in the department!” Officer Chambers agrees, and both men speak to the camaraderie and tight bonds that develop in a specialty unit like K-9. “This is my family,” says Nowell.

It was back in May when Officer Chambers leaned on his work family. Chambers was severely bitten by one of the dogs during a training exercise, requiring him to have skin grafts. Officer Chambers returned to work in mid August after a few weeks of recuperation.

Ironically enough, Chambers and Nowell didn’t know until they became friends in the unit that they graduated from the same Virginia Beach High School and grew up just minutes from one another.
President Yvette Brown called the general meeting to order at 7:00PM. The Invocation was offered by Clarence Holmes. Pledge of Allegiance was led by Julius Simpson.

Following a motion by Ron McEntee, and a second by Frankie Donohue, the minutes of the October 20, 2009 meeting were accepted as published in the CPAAAN News.

The Treasurer’s Report was given by Edith Warring. Report will be filed for audit.

Cash proceeds from the November 50/50 raffle in the amount of $52 was donated to the FOP COPS AND KIDS program. In addition, wrapping paper, scotch tape, and name tags were donated by the membership at this meeting, and can also be donated at the December meeting. Patty Lindsey will deliver these items to FOP Lodge #3.

Guest speaker Sgt. Danielle Avery described Crime Analysis and the Crime View Community. Computerized data on crime statistics is compiled daily and utilized by the command staff of the NPD to deploy personnel effectively, and to determine patterns and trends of crime. Citizens can access the most current available crime data throughout our city by going to http://www.norfolk.gov/ and clicking on Crime View Community.

President Yvette Brown formally recognized Officer Judy Williams, former Facilitator of the Citizens Police Academy. She was thanked for her service to the community and past assistance to CPAAAN.

Yvette Brown asked for additional volunteers from the membership in order to expand the committees, particularly for Membership, Fundraising, Set Up and Clean Up, and Recruiting. She introduced Donna Williams and Glen Anderson, who have recently joined the Membership Committee.

Following a motion by Frankie Donohue and a second by Clarence Holmes, the meeting was adjourned at 8:15PM.

~ Margaret Anne Craig
Recording Secretary

Wishing our Members and Friends
Happy Holidays —
Merry Christmas
Happy Hanukkah
Feliz Navidad
Happy Kwanzaa
Joyous New Year
Holiday Safety Crime Prevention Tips
By Paula Miller and Captain Roger Stephenson, Norfolk Sheriff’s Office Communications

WORKING WITH THE COMMUNITIES OF NORFOLK—THE POWER OF PREVENTION

In the hustle and bustle of the impending holiday season, it’s easy to be careless about our personal safety and our immediate surroundings. Now, more than ever, the holiday season and the end of daylight saving time mean we should keep a watchful eye out as we head to our vehicles in parking lots and garages, and we should minimize the packages we carry as we undertake holiday shopping. If you have to make an extra trip to the car it’s worth the additional trip for personal safety.

SHOPPING

• Shop before dark if possible. Try to coordinate shopping trips with a friend. Never park in an unlit lot or area, no matter how convenient it is.
• Lock your packages and gifts in your vehicle’s trunk. Keep your vehicle’s doors locked and windows closed.
• Avoid carrying large amounts of cash. Pay for purchases with a check, credit card, or debit card when possible.
• To discourage purse-snatchers, don’t overburden yourself with packages. Have your purchases delivered whenever practical.
• Be extra careful with purses and wallets. Carry a purse under your arm. Keep a wallet in an inside jacket pocket, not a back trouser pocket.

Have Happy and Safe Holidays!

Canine Officers Robert Chambers and Jerry Nowell with their dogs, Rufus and Deuce

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December Birthdays

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03 Judy Talley
08 James “Buddy” Gallup
13 Heide Richards
15 Tom Russel
20 Gail Stenberg
21 John Pitt III
25 Jamal Smith
26 Judy Collins
27 Christeen Baker

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MEMBERSHIP REGISTRATION FORM 2009–2010
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