In memory of NPD Officer Brian W. Jones

CPAAAN offers sincere condolences to the family, friends, and fellow officers of Norfolk Police Officer Brian W. Jones who was shot and killed in the line of duty on May 30, 2014. Officer Jones was a member of the Norfolk Honor Guard and was assigned to the Traffic Unit, Crime Prevention Unit and Third Patrol Division. The five-year-department veteran is survived by his wife, two sons and a daughter.

CPAAAN selected Officer Jones as the 2010 Officer of the Year. Our members appreciate his tireless efforts to make the roads safer and our communities better. Improvements in conditions and the decreased crime in the Fairmount Park and Ballentine neighborhoods in particular are a tribute to his outstanding efforts.
**Current Meeting Notice:**

Tuesday, June 17th 7:00 pm  
Topic: John Roger Scholarship Awards

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**Next meeting:**

There are no meetings held in July and August

Please come and bring a dish to share at our refreshments table

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**Happy Birthday To:**

- June 2 - Doris May Williams  
- June 3 - Valerie Viveiros  
- June 15 - Deborah Pasilis  
- June 20 - Myra Burton  
- June 25 - Sharon Beaty  
- June 28 - Harold Edwards Rhodes, Jr.  
- July 2 - Janette Deitrick  
- July 5 - Desi Nichols  
- July 9 - Noreen Washington  
- July 13 - Annabelle Eversole  
- July 15 - Linda Stokes  
- July 16 - Marcus Powell  
- July 27 - Allen Williams  
- Aug 2 - Ellis G. Thomas, Jr.  
- Aug 5 - Amber Steele  
- Aug 10 - Anne Powell  
- Aug 14 - Lisa Powell  
- Aug 19 - Lewis Bateman  
- Aug 24 - Jamie Edmonds  
- Aug 31 - Wiley O. Heninger

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**Food for Thought:**

“Remember, we all stumble, every one of us. That’s why it’s a comfort to go hand in hand.”  
—Emily Kimbrough

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The Citizens Police Academy Alumni Association of Norfolk's mission is to support law enforcement in Norfolk, VA through education, information, networking, community service and volunteerism.

The President’s Beat

Dear Membership,

Last month we had the honor of presenting the Officer Of The Year award for 2013 to Investigator Michael J. Mezo. As always, it is a pleasure to be able to recognize one of our officers for their outstanding performance of duty.

As you know, this month CPAAAN will be awarding Scholarships to three lucky winners. I want to thank the entire membership for your dedication to our mission, because without your participation and the generosity of our donors and contributors, we would not have accomplished all that we have this year.

I would like to remind you of the upcoming Crime Prevention Award Ceremony which will be held on October 6, 2014. Tickets will go on sale this month; hopefully we will have them available at this month's General Meeting.

Sadly, on May 30, 2014, we lost an outstanding Norfolk Police Officer in the line of duty. We extend our deepest sympathy to the family of Officer Brian Jones and the Norfolk Police Department. Officer Jones will be greatly missed by the city of Norfolk, Fairmount Park Civic League and the entire Norfolk Police Department. CPAAAN will send out information about funeral arrangements as soon as they become available.

On behalf of the CPAAAN Board, we thank you for allowing us to serve, and we hope you have a safe and wonderful summer break.

Yvette Brown
President

John Roger Scholaristic Scholarship

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Minutes from May 2014

The meeting was called to order by Yvette Brown. The invocation was given by Ms. Justice. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Ms. Hoots. The Treasurer’s report was given by Ms. Warring. Motion to adopt the minutes as published was made by Ms. Babcock and seconded by Ms. Hoots. Investigator Michael J. Mezo was presented the CPAAAN Officer Of The Year Award and was cited for his accomplishments for 2013. Investigator Mezo began a 25 case fugitive investigation to eradicate all open cases of rapists, pedophiles and abductors. Due to his hard work and many hours of pursuit, within three weeks 18 of the 25, had been tracked down.

Chief Goldsmith thanked the membership for the time and efforts to the many events related to NPD and for recognizing police officers for their courageous duties they perform each and every day. Officer K. Byers who was one of the participants in the more than 250 miles bike ride in the Annual Police Memorial Bike Ride gave a very intriguing Power Point presentation of that ride, which started in Chesapeake Virginia and ended in Washington, D.C. A few of the different events that took place were 1. the day known as "the hills", named for the many hills that the bikers encountered along the ride 2. visiting The Marine’s Memorial; it was also a day for meeting families of fallen officers, known as the Survivors, 3. the Ruff Riders, for fallen K-9 in the line of duty. 4. There is a summer camp for youths whose parents have passed away. Officer Byers presented President Brown with a plaque, and thanked CPAAAN for their support. Dr. M. Blackwood, Coordinator of Straight Talk From The Heart Jail Tour, updated the membership about the jail tour itself and her follow-up plans for the youths. Professional follow-up will be done on those going through the tour. Focus will be on females, who may be at risk of making bad choices in their lives. Young boys will have strong mentors. The children are asked to submit an essay based on their experiences and what their goals are. There will be mentors in their schools, and more volunteer mentors may be needed. Dr. Blackwood said "it’s a matter of pooling resources and that her time is donated.

Ms. Brown announced to the membership, the significance of why we pay dues and the reason for the $5.00 increase; also noting that the dues has been the same for the past 15 years. Those who have not paid their dues for 2013, please see Ms. Donna Williams, our Membership Chairwoman. Our last General Meeting before summer break will be 17 June 2014. Ms. Brown also thanked members for helping keep the classroom clean and removing the trash. The 50/50 was won by Ms. Edith Warring. The date and place of The Crime Prevention Award Ceremony was announced. The meeting was adjourned.

Magalene McKelvey
Recording Secretary
SUMMER 2014
VACATION and "STAYCATION" CRIME PREVENTION

Now that the temperature has spiked upward and we’ll likely spend more time outside and away from our homes on summer excursions, let’s be mindful to protect our valuables and serve as a watchful neighbor. There’s nothing like thieves to disrupt your summer vacation! While you are away enjoying warmer and longer days, your home and vehicles may be vulnerable to burglary, vandalism and/or theft. We hope the checklists we offer will provide another layer of security in the protection of your home and vehicle before you leave for vacation or a safer staycation. Enjoy your summer and we’ll see you back in August for National Night Out. Norfolk’s National Night Out this year will be hosted August 5th in the Berkley Park community.

Crime Prevention Take Action Checklist
Always secure windows and doors while you are away, especially for long periods of time and at night.
Pay particular attention to ground floor and out of sight (such as rear or side) entrance ways.
Consider the use of security or motion lighting, especially near out of sight entrance ways. Trim shrubbery by windows and doors, which thieves may use to conceal themselves.
Arm your home security system and be sure the monitoring company has updated emergency contact information.
If you don’t have an alarm, place stickers and signs in visible locations around your property which imply you do and may deter thieves.
Move valuables (bicycles, benches, grills etc.) inside if possible. If not, secure them with chains and locks.
Remove window air-conditioning units, which can be removed for theft or to gain access inside, whenever possible.
Remove any items that can be used to break windows or locks (like tools or even large rocks) from your yard. Don’t leave valuables, credit card, car keys or cash in open spaces when you plan to be out. Move items to a secure location in case a thief does get into your home.
Ask a neighbor or someone you trust to collect your papers, packages and mail or have them held at the post office while you’re away. Consider the use of automatic timed lighting devices both inside and outside of your home while you are away.
Record the serial numbers of all of your valuable electronics and keep it in a safe place, it may help Police to trace and track them if stolen.

Crime Prevention Vehicle Checklist
Always attempt to park in well lit, well-populated areas whenever possible, especially when leaving your vehicle for long periods of time.
Lock the doors and roll up windows when leaving your vehicle unattended.
Never leave valuables in plain view. If possible, place items in a secure area (like the trunk or a locked compartment) or take them with you.
Remove docking stations for your GPS or music devices from the windshield when not in use and be sure to wipe the suction cup “ring” from the window. Maintain your vehicles appearance. Vehicles that appear especially dirty and poorly kept, or that have been parked in the same place for a lengthy period of time, imply the owner may not regularly check on the vehicle, which may make it an easy target for theft or vandalism.
Never leave spare keys for your vehicle or home inside of your vehicle. Spare keys give thieves’ easy access to your property.
Being a watchful neighbor is the best way to help thwart crime. Tell those you trust when you will be away and ask them to keep an eye on your property and vehicle while you’re gone. Be sure to return the favor when your neighbors are away.
NEW PARTNERSHIP UNITES INCARCERATED MOMS WITH THEIR CHILDREN

For approximately two hours on Saturday, May 10th, three women donned dressy clothes and embraced their children, like most mothers do on Mother’s Day weekend.

Except, these women were back in gray and black striped jumpsuits, shortly after being reunited with their loved ones. The women are doing time in the Norfolk City Jail. But, a new program launched in partnership with Norfolk’s Garden of Hope Community Development Corporation and the Second Chances Program, brought the moms and their children together, along with the children’s caregivers, in a supervised setting, complete with lunch, gifts and an inspirational message.

The first-of-its-kind pilot program began with six incarcerated Moms- “Women who’ve been successful in jail-based program blocks and who’ve earned the right to participate in the off-site visit,” according to Mike O’Toole, Director of Community Corrections for the Norfolk Sheriff’s Office.

Garden of Hope and Second Chances coordinated the program with the Norfolk Sheriff’s Office to provide the women a chance to “see their children outside the jail, to hold them, have a conversation with them, to see that their children are well taken care of and thriving,” said Joy McDonald, NSO Programs Manager/Chaplain.

So the children would not see their mothers in jail uniforms, Garden of Hope’s new thrift store provided vouchers for outfits for the women to wear, albeit briefly.

The outing included a very special Mother’s Day tribute which occurred under the watchful eyes of two uniformed sheriff’s deputies, Cpl. Caroline Harlow and Deputy Ellice Elliott-James. The success of this pilot program means other jailed moms may get to connect with their youngsters in the not-too-distant future.
CPAAAN TO AWARD 3 SCHOLARSHIPS IN JUNE

CPAAAN will provide three John Roger Scholastic Scholarships in June 2014. Since 2003, CPAAAN has awarded academic scholarships each year to children of Norfolk Police Department active duty sworn officers. All students who have been accepted or are attending an institution of higher learning may apply. Past winners may reapply.

The John Roger Scholarships program has not only continued for over a decade, but has grown both in the dollar amount and in the number of awards made available. We are particularly pleased to announce that beginning this year the amount of each of the three scholarships will be increased to $1,500.00. As of June 2014 the total amount of money CPAAAN has provided for academic scholarships will be over $27,500.00.

Dr. Lawrence Dotolo, President of the Virginia Tidewater Consortium, a non-profit organization that promotes higher education, will select the recipients based on their grades and written essay on their aspirations for the future. Scholarships will be awarded at the general membership meeting on June 17, 2014.

2014 LAW ENFORCEMENT UNITED RIDE

In May 2014, Federal, State and Local Law Enforcement Officers travelled by bicycle, over 3 days, from Chesapeake, Virginia to Washington, DC to participate in The National Peace Officer Memorial Day services. This annual event honors the dedication and sacrifice of all law enforcement officers who have died in the line of duty.

A team of four bikers represented the Norfolk Police Department. As has been the custom, CPAAAN sponsored one of the riders, Officer Katherine Byers. Following her return, Officer Byers attended our May general membership meeting and provided a very interesting and touching power point presentation containing descriptions and photos of the activities along the way and in Washington. Officer Byers then presented a plaque from Law Enforcement United to President Yvette Brown in appreciation of CPAAAN support.
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