CPAAAN News

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Meets 3rd Tuesday of each month (except July and August)
7:00PM at Second Patrol Division • 2500 N. Military Hwy, Norfolk
CPAAAN is a 501c(3) non-profit whose mission is to support Norfolk law enforcement.

Current Meeting Notice:

Tuesday, May 20th 7:00 pm
Topic: Officer Of the Year Award
Norfolk Police Department

Next meeting:

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

Please bring a dish to share at our refreshments table

Happy Birthday To:

♦ May 15 - Brenda Roberts
♦ May 17 - Monica Lohr
♦ May 19 - Velma Birkel
♦ May 27 - Margaret Hoots
♦ May 30 - Corey Miller

(If your name is not here, let us know)

Food for Thought:

“Choose a job you love, and you will never have to work a day in your life.”

If you have questions or need information on anything pertaining to CPAAAN, please contact our webmaster at cpaaan.org. Just click on “comments to the webmaster” at the bottom. Or send an email to cpaaan@yahoo.com.

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Mission Statement

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,

I know I speak for all the membership who attended April’s General Meeting, that Special Agent In-Charge, Royce E. Curtin was very much enjoyed by all. Agent Curtin spoke about his background, starting with his time in the Army and his decision to apply to the FBI. Agent Curtin spoke also about the many challenges that the agents face in working varies cases. CPAAAN thanks Special Agent Curtin for speaking to us, and we hope to see him in the future.

This month we will be presenting CPAAAN's Officer of the Year. I hope all of our members will try to attend, so we can congratulate and commend the Officer for a job well done.

The Police Memorial is on May 15, 2014 at 10am. CPAAAN members are to arrive at 9am. We will need some of our members to give out ribbons and assist with pinning the ribbons on the attendees. As always, CPAAAN will be serving the refreshments. For those of you who will be attending the Memorial for the first time, you may park in the City Garage at City Hall.

Can you believe we only have two more meetings, before we take our summer break? I hope we can finish our working year just as strong as we started.

I look forward to seeing you at The Police Memorial, May 15, 2014, and at our next General Meeting, May 20, 2014 at 7pm.

Yvette Brown, President

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John Roger Scholastic Scholarship

Booster:
- Anonymous
- John & Velma Birkel
- Faye Johansen
- Eileen and Sam Sanchez
- August Raber

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Minutes from April 2014

The meeting was called to order by President Yvette Brown. The invocation was given by Ms. Donnel Justice. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Allen Williams. Ms. Brown announced that this year’s Crime Prevention Award Ceremony will be held on October 6, 2014, at Double Tree by Hilton. The tickets are $30.00. Proceeds from this event will go to The CPAAAN Scholarship Fund which provides scholarships for children of active duty Norfolk Police Officers. Three recipients will each receive $1,500.00 to assist in furthering their education. Yvette Brown introduced the guest speaker, Special Agent In-Charge of the FBI Norfolk Field Office, Royce E. Curtin. Special Agent Curtin gave a brief summary of his personal and professional background and then described the FBI agency in general. The Norfolk Field Office has 203 employees; there are 56 Field Offices across the United States and also Agents around the world. The Agency has developed partnerships with the Federal, State and Local law enforcement departments. Crimes and the approach to solving them continue to change, mostly due to rapidly advancing technology. Currently the biggest challenge is crimes perpetrated over the Internet; this has become a global issue. The primary categories of crime are: 1. Encrypted technology, which is used by knowledgeable criminals to prevent detection. 2. Hacking and phishing used to remove funds from victim’s bank accounts and to steal their identity. 3. Cybercrimes are becoming the new terrorism. 4. Espionage is an ongoing crime for the FBI. 5. Homegrown violent extremists are increasing in number, for example, the Boston Marathon bombing of one year ago.

If a citizen observes something and feels that it should be reported to the local FBI, call (757) 455-0100. Calls to that number are constantly monitored. Special Agent Curtin answered many questions from members during the Question and Answer period that followed.

Ms. Edith Warring gave the Treasurer’s Report. Captain Huffman announced that there is an upcoming large scale Training Exercise that the FBI and NPD will participate in, and that volunteers are needed for role players. The event begins May 3, 2014 at 1am and ends May 4 at 9am. Mr. Scott Mahone announced that members could contact him to sign up for the exercise. Mr. Mahone also said members can sign up for the CREST Program, which will be held at the EOC. Yvette Brown asked for volunteers for the Police Memorial Ceremony, May 15, 2014 and to please arrive at 9am. The 50/50 raffle was won by Ms. Mary Babcock. The meeting was adjourned.

Magalene McKelvey
Recording Secretary
During this month of May, the Norfolk Police Department formally honors its fallen officers. The Norfolk Police Department Peace Officer’s Memorial Service will be held Thursday, May 15, 2014, at 9:30 a.m., on the front steps of the City Hall Building, 810 Union Street. Each year the Department pays tribute to our officers who have made the ultimate sacrifice with a memorial service.

This year Vice Mayor Angelia Williams will issue a proclamation calling Norfolk citizens to observe May 11th through May 17th as Police Week, to pay tribute to the services given by our officers.

CONGRATULATIONS! Norfolk Police Academy Class 94! 31 Police Recruits graduated April 10, 2014, in the auditorium of Norview High School, among family and friends. Norfolk Police Academy Class 94 completed 20 weeks of intense physical and mental training. The speaker for the occasion was the Honorable Charles E. Poston, Judge (Ret.), Norfolk Circuit Court. All new graduates are required to complete 12 weeks of field training, partnered with police field training officers who will monitor their activities and provide additional guidance.

“Just the Facts”

Norfolk Police Academy

Class 94

Total Graduates: 31

Men: 23	Women: 8
Lessons in Personal Finance

Prepare Inmates for Life After Confinement

Monarch Bank Officer Casey Cudney coaches little league baseball when not handling money matters at her Norfolk branch. Recently, Casey was thrown a change up when she was asked to teach personal finance to inmates at the Norfolk City Jail. Immediately, she recognized similarities to her coaching duties as the men and women look to her for tips on basic budgeting and advice on finding the right type of bank account to fit their lifestyle.

For twelve weeks, Cudney rotates between blocks of male and female inmates as she explains banking terms like “charge offs,” ATM fees, the difference between big banks, community banks and credit unions and the importance of asking the right questions about daily bank fees. “Not a lot of people ask the right questions when they walk into a bank and some bankers don’t feel they have to share information with them because they’ve given them (customers) a disclosure book,” Cudney tells the room of women.

Some of Cudney’s weekly participants are behind bars because of poor financial choices they’ve already made. But, the jail finance program, part of Virginia’s prisoner re-entry initiative, is designed to not dwell on past errors, but prepare the inmates to be successful upon their release. One woman confides she has held just one job in her life and wasn’t aware there’s no minimum balance required and no bank fees for some personal bank accounts. Cudney has also been pleasantly surprised by the reaction she has received from the inmates. “They ask great questions,” Cudney observed.

Even these possible future customers need to know about common scams against personal bank accounts, so “phishing,” ATM “skimming,” and “hacking” are covered in the course. Mike O’Toole, the NSO’s Re-entry Coordinator says the program has produced positive responses from inmates. “We’re always looking for more programs like this Finance class to get our inmates prepared to leave and hopefully, equipped to be productive citizens again, said O’Toole.
CERT and SWAT

Both of these teams will be holding exercises this month. If you did not have the opportunity to volunteer this year, consider doing it next year. We are proud that our police make sure they are ready for any emergency.

The Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) Program educates people about disaster preparedness for hazards that may impact their area and trains them in basic disaster response skills, such as fire safety, light search and rescue, team organization, and disaster medical operations. Using the training learned in the classroom and during exercises, CERT members can assist others in their neighborhood or workplace following an event when professional responders are not immediately available to help. CERT members also are encouraged to support emergency response agencies by taking a more active role in emergency preparedness projects in their community.

SWAT (acronym for "Special Weapons And Tactics") is a commonly used proper name for law enforcement units, which use military-style light weapons and specialized tactics in high-risk operations that fall outside of the capabilities of regular, uniformed police. "SWAT" is commonly used internationally, as a colloquial, generic term for these units.

Their duties include: confronting heavily armed criminals; performing hostage rescue and counter-terrorism operations; high risk arrests; and entering armored or barricaded buildings. Such units are often equipped with specialized firearms including submachine guns, assault rifles, breaching shotguns, sniper rifles, riot control agents, and stun grenades. They have specialized equipment including heavy body armor, ballistic shields, entry tools, armored vehicles, advanced night vision optics, and motion detectors for covertly determining the positions of hostages or hostage takers, inside enclosed structures.
MONTH OF MAY

CERT Training Exercise scheduled for May 3rd.

May has lots of national observances; to name just a few: National Military Appreciation, National Bike, National Physical Fitness and Sports, Jewish American Heritage, Arthritis Awareness, Beef, National Stroke Awareness and Older Americans.

The holidays include: May Day-1st, Cinco de Mayo-5th, National Teachers’ day-6th, Mothers’ day-11th, Armed Forces day-17th, and Memorial day-26th.

“There is a time for everything, and a season for every activity under the heavens…”

It’s smart to get ready for hurricane and flash flooding season, which arrives June 1st. And it’s smart to save money.

You can do both by shopping for such products as batteries, food storage containers, generators, first aid kits, bottled water, radios and more between May 25 and 31. When you do, you won’t pay sales tax on many useful products that cost up to $60 or on generators costing $1,000 or less. That’s a savings of 5 percent.

New for 2014! Gas-powered chainsaws that cost $350 or less and chainsaw accessories that cost $60 or less are tax free. A complete list of exempt items is available at www.tax.virginia.gov/salestaxholiday.

Purchasing supplies is important, but it’s critical to make a family emergency plan. Protect your family now by making a plan. It’s free, it’s simple, and it will make a big difference.
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