Current Meeting Notice:

Tuesday, January 20, 7:00 pm
Speaker: Jay Hanna, Chief of Police
Norfolk Airport Authority

Next meeting:
Tuesday, February 17, 7:00 pm
Speaker: Courtney Smith, NPD Community Resource Office
Topic: Community Policing

Bring a dish to share with our fellow members at the refreshments table.

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.

Happy Birthday To:

- Jan 1 - Abraham Yohannason
- Jan 10 - Marie McEntee
- Jan 12 - Yvette Brown
- Jan 18 - Tammy Nolette
- Jan 21 - Edith Warring
- Jan 25 - Steve Murley
- Jan 27 - William Childress
  Larry Hoots
- Jan 29 - John A. Birkel
  Ronald McEntee

If your name is not here, please update your membership information. Thanks

Food for Thought:

Every New Beginning Comes from some other Beginning’s End
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 hope everyone enjoyed the holiday season and just as importantly, I hope that you were able to spend quality time with family and friends.

CPAAAN would like to thank Ms. Clara Huff for agreeing to be our speaker for our Annual Christmas Social. Clara was the 2014 Crime Prevention Awards Youth Winner. When I read what her nominator had written about Clara’s accomplishments, I knew that this was indeed an extraordinary young woman and I couldn’t wait to meet her. For those who were unable to attend our December meeting, let me list some of Clara’s Accomplishments. First let me start off by saying, Clara Huff is a 14 year old young woman, she has published a book, entitled “A Letter to My Bully”. Clara is a six time Art Scholarship recipient of the Brooklyn Museum’s Studio Gallery Program, she has illustrated many of her mother’s children’s books. Clara was awarded the “Move Maker” Award for 2012, by Teens With A Purpose and was crowned Miss Youth Matter Teen 2013. June 2013, Clara made her acting debut in the stage play “Tailor Made” and is a student with the HURRAH Players. This is definitely a youth that is going places.

I would like to thank all of the members who brought holiday refreshments, you really helped to make our Xmas Social Festive. I would also like to thank Chief Goldsmith for taking time out of his busy schedule to attend and speak to our membership. To Officer Courtney Smith, a very special, 'thank you’, you helped me out in a big way, to make our meeting a success. You are always, my go to officer. Another special thank you to Officer Miles Warren, without you, we would not have had a classroom to meet in.

I look forward to seeing you at our next General Meeting, January 20, 2015, at 7pm.

Yvette Brown,
President
The meeting was called to order by Yvette Brown. The invocation was given by Terry Haddock. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Tammy Nolette. Motion to adopt the minutes as published was made by Clarence Holmes and seconded by Sharon Beaty. Edith Warring gave the Treasurer's Report.

Our guest speaker, 14 years old Miss Clara Huff; author of "A Letter to My Bully". Miss Huff, along with other girls(8-15), detailing how they have overcome being bullied and how it felt to be bullied throughout the years. Miss Huff mentioned that kids bully for many reasons: kids receiving good grades, the way you look, the way you act or don’t act, also sexual orientations. Some kids bully because of peer pressure, the list goes on and on. Bullying is a MAJOR ISSUE for kids now. Miss Huff answered questions from the members about her own experience of being bullied and advised that victims go to their Guidance Counselors, teachers and the school's Resource Officer for help. For more information on Miss Huff, go to www.facebook.com/clarahufftheauthor or call (757) 770-4220 and (757) 202-3264. Parts of the book acknowledges the people that have made a big impact on their lives. In addition, Miss Huff received The 2014 Crime Prevention Youth Award. The members truly enjoyed listening to such a strong, yet mild and very intelligent young lady and hope to see and hear more of her in the future.

Yvette Brown gave recognition to the NPD Resource Officers for the great work they do throughout our communities. The Police Recruit Graduation is scheduled at Granby High School, Dec. 18, 2014 at 6:30pm; members should arrive at 5:30pm. The 50/50 was drawn, along with the many door prizes. Members were thanked for helping to keep the classroom clean and removing the trash. Ms. Brown wished everyone a safe and Happy Holiday. The meeting was then adjourned.

Magalene McKelvey, Recording Secretary
Let's Do More to Help Each Other in 2015

Last year Norfolk Police increased citizen engagement with an even greater focus on youth, with the development of two significant partnerships with non-profit community agencies whose foundations are grounded in developing, educating, and mentoring youth 5-17 years of age. In this season of resolutions think about where you can offer the best of you, to help improve the life of your neighbors in some small way. There are many ways to assist and engage in any of our established community partnerships. In fact January is National Mentoring Month. Please take a good look at the “PLUS” partnership, it's an opportunity to teach a child what you are doing right now, and may well take for granted... Read. The impact of knowing how to read and comprehend language leads to endless opportunities and success. Perhaps your calling is the plight of our homeless four legged furry friends, if so, volunteer with Norfolk Animal Care and Adoption Center, and “Norfolk’s Finest and Furriest.” Now if you have an opinion, and we all do, please call us on our radio show “We are ONE, NPD and YOU!” Ask questions, leave your comments or crime tips. Please see contact information below for mentoring, volunteering and police recruitment.

“PLUS” – Police Leadership Unveils Success, is a partnership with the Life Enrichment Center of Norfolk, a faith based community agency that serves an at-risk youth demographic. Officers serve as literacy mentors at Title 1, Norfolk Public Elementary schools, one hour per week, for the entire school calendar year. Positive relationships between the officers and youth will garner goodwill for years to come, and increase literacy for youth for improved reading comprehension. (757) 623-6001

“CAKE” - COPS AND KIDS EATING, in partnership with the Southeastern Virginia Boys and Girls Club, allows youth and officers a monthly engagement opportunity to enjoy an afternoon meal together at the Norview Unit of the Boys and Girls Club. In addition, youth are treated to demonstrations from various specialty units, and see static displays from the Homeland Security Division’s Bomb Robot, to how K-9’s are used to serve citizens. This initiative is effective in brokering mutual trust, and youth recognizing police as their friends, and mentors. (757) 622-2610

“WE are ONE, NPD and YOU,” is a unique broadcast partnership with the Willis Broadcasting Group. Every 1st and 3rd Thursday, officers take live phone calls from listeners on WGPL-1350 AM about community policing, crime prevention, citizen engagement, and recruitment. This partnership also allows for immediate messaging regarding police incidents that have occurred in Norfolk, and another format where residents may directly engage with officers. Call in at (757) 624-9475.

“Norfolk’s Finest and Furriest,” is a partnership developed with Norfolk Animal Care and Adoption Center, and seen exclusively on the Norfolk Police Facebook page where officers are shown with animals that are ready to be adopted. The message and partnership here is clear. Adoption awareness, “Make Norfolk’s Furriest, MOST WANTED!” Norfolk Police understands that they also serve and protect the animal community... those who serve us unconditionally. (757) 441-5505

And finally, we are heavily recruiting African-American police recruit candidates, as to help better reflect the citizen demographic of Norfolk. We will host an Open House, “So you what to be a Norfolk Police Officer,” Thursday, January 22, 2015, 1:00 pm – 4:00 pm, at 2500 North Military Highway (Second Patrol and Training Divisions) There will be plenty of time to ask questions, and refreshments will be served. For more information call the Recruitment Section at (757) 664-6688

Always remember, WE are in this together! Happy New Year!
Norfolk Sheriff’s Office – Safety Print I.D./Senior Print I.D. Programs

The Norfolk Sheriff’s Office takes the safety and protection of our citizens very seriously. Especially when it comes to the most vulnerable of our populations – children and the elderly. Each year there are thousands upon thousands of children that are reported missing across the U.S. and that includes the Commonwealth of the Virginia and even the City of Norfolk. Some are runaways, some are kidnapped, and some just plain disappear. According to the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children, in 2013 there were over 462,000 children under the age of 18 reported as missing in the National Crime Information Center or NCIC. Finding and returning these children unharmed is of the utmost importance. Reporting these missing children to local law enforcement in a timely manner is extremely important and having the proper information is a huge part of the reporting process.

This is why the Norfolk Sheriff’s Office offers to parents and guardians the Safety Print I.D. program to all children within the City of Norfolk. This is a free service and is available to civic leagues, community groups/organizations, church functions, schools (public & private) and recreation centers and libraries. The Sheriff’s Office offers an I.D. kit to include an information sheet with the child’s height, weight, hair and eye color and any distinguishing marks, emergency phone number and date of birth. Plus a full set of the child’s fingerprints are included along with a color digital photograph. An I.D. card is also made available with the same information plus a thumb print. In case the child was missing the parents/guardians would supply the I.D. kit to their local law enforcement agency and this would be entered into the national missing child databases as well the Virginia State Police Missing Child Clearinghouse.

Sheriff McCabe has also made this program available to our senior citizen populations as well. The Senior I.D. program is almost exactly the same with the exception that there are no I.D. kits just a “DMV” quality I.D. card that features the senior’s color digital photograph and all of their identifying information (height, weight, hair and eye color, gender, nickname, emergency contact and date of birth). This is provided in case the senior citizens needs an I.D. card to carry with them in case they become lost. This would help aid in their safe return home.

This is just one of many programs that Sheriff McCabe and the Norfolk Sheriff’s Office offer to the citizens and all programs are free of charge. To schedule an I.D. event for your group please call The Community Affairs Division of the Norfolk Sheriff’s Office at 757-441-1066. Crime Prevention is a top priority of the Norfolk Sheriff’s Office and we are always willing to lend a helping hand.

Submitted by Captain Steven Duke
OIC, Community Affairs Division
I don’t know about you, but for me, time is truly marching on! A new year (2015) is upon us. Normally the month of January is a month of reflections and resolutions. It is also the month of Cervical Cancer Awareness, Weight Loss Awareness, National Codependency month, National Blood Donor month, and National Hobby month. The observed holidays are: New Year’s day (1st), Trivia day (4th), Feast of Epiphany (6th), Martin Luther King’s birthday (20th), Chinese New Year (31st) with a host of little known observances.

Community and Police Relations in the News

Poor relations between community members and police can lead to feelings of distrust, anger and fear. Citizens may think the police are prejudiced and have unfair policies. Police may feel blame for all kinds of social problems, and think they don't get credit for doing their jobs. Dialogue-to-change programs help people build the trusting relationships necessary for long-term change. People from diverse backgrounds and experiences develop trust, understand each others' experiences, and work together on solutions. Everyone should give kudos to the Norfolk Police Department for their extraordinary efforts to be of service and help to all communities and peoples. We hope that Norfolk Citizens recognize this and thank our police force for their dedication and work to keep our city and state and country safe.

CPAAAN Thanks you Norfolk Police and Sheriff Departments for all that you do!
Protect Your Loved Ones - Know About Home and Recreational Safety
Learn key safety tips to keep family members safe.

Know the Facts—According to Injury Facts 2014, in 2012, an estimated 89,000 unintentional-injury related deaths occurred in the home and community. Families need to be aware of the dangers related to homes and recreation and take the proper safety precautions to prevent unintentional injuries and deaths. The following are the top causes:

- Motor Vehicles
- Poisoning
- Falls
- Choking
- Drowning
- Fires & Burns
- Weather Related Emergencies

Be Safe On and Off the Road

Motor vehicle safety for families’ addresses impaired driving, speeding, seatbelts and children in-and-around cars.

Motor Vehicle Safety and Impaired Driving—Motor vehicles crashes and collisions are the leading cause of unintentional injury death across all age groups. Protecting your loved ones not only means being a better driver, but also setting an example. Take the time to learn what's safest for you and your family including slowing down, buckling up and staying sober behind the wheel. In 2012, about 10,322 were killed in crashes involving alcohol (Injury Facts 2014). According to NHTSA, 3,952 drivers were killed in crashes while under the influence of drugs. Impaired driving means that you are using and operating a vehicle under the influence of alcohol, drugs or other illegal substances. Driving under the influence comes with the danger of prosecution, legal costs and fines. In addition, it increases your risk of harming someone else on the road.

Seat Belts and Air Bags—Forty-nine states and the District of Columbia have laws requiring that people riding in cars wear seat belts. More than half of the passengers killed in 2012 were not wearing seat belts (Injury Facts 2014). For young adults 16-24, seatbelt use was significantly lower in 2011. Seat belts can save your life and those of your loved ones. When used properly, seatbelts reduce the risk of fatal injury to passengers in the front seat by 45 percent and moderate-to-critical injury by 50 percent. Airbags help to reduce injuries sustained in car crashes. Airbags, however, are only added protection when used with seat belts.

Speeding—Speeding kills an average of 28 people per day for a total of 10,219 people a year. There is some social pressure from others who are speeding around us on the roads and changing the habit can be challenging. Slow down to save a life.

Children In and Around Vehicles—Leading causes of death for children ages 5 to 24, around motor vehicles, include the car backing over or rolling over a child. Other injuries include kids getting trapped in the trunk, strangled by seat belts or hurt by power windows. An increasing problem in the spring and summer months is children getting locked in hot cars and dying of heatstroke. Caregivers can prevent these injuries by teaching children that areas in or around cars are not a play area and use proper child passenger seats.

Mature Drivers—According to Injury Facts 2014, the risk of crashes with fixed objects, pedestrians, bicycles, trains and other objects increases for individuals older than 75. Check out resources from NHTSA on determining if driving if the best option for your loved ones who are older. Also look into public transportation and accessibility for seniors.
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