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Saving Tax Dollars — NOW and in FUTURE

Reducing Recidivism by Teaching Marketable Skills

In early May, a loud clinking and clanking echoed through a vacated commercial building on the north end of Newport News. It was the sound of metal being torn from the walls of a structure slated for demolition. Hard at work was a crew of five inmates from the Newport News City Jail and the deputies overseeing them.

The City requested Newport News Sheriff's Office (NNSO) inmates to help dismantle the building and salvage some of the more costly materials to be used on another construction project.

Having a skilled inmate labor pool at the NNSO is an added benefit for the taxpayer.

Sergeant B. Murray, Maintenance Supervisor, said nearly \$2,000 dollars was saved in labor alone (applying the same rate used to calculate City Farm cost savings). He also kept count of the material being recycled. Two hundred sheets of plywood were pulled from the mezzanine level at a savings of \$5,000. Heavy steel was salvaged, as hundreds of studs measuring ten to twenty feet were removed.

Naturally, public safety is paramount when considering workforce eligibility. Inmates must meet certain criteria for consideration.

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BIRTHDAYS

JULY

Dep. D. Swinney	SHERIFF Gabe Morgan
Dep. K. Lampkins	Lt. G. Grogan
Dep. R. Bullock	Lt. K. Patrick
Dep. T. Brown	MDep. D. Blanch
Dep. J. O'Donnell	Dep. J. Owens
Dep. R. Garrison	Dep. S. Marler
Sgt. C. Zanders	Dep. T. Gordon
Dep. S. Woodruff	LT. COL. E. Sprinkle
Cpl. J. Robbins	Dep. P. Handwerk
Cpl. W. Hill	CAPT. C. Thomas
Deborah Mizelle	Sgt. W. Walters
MDep. S. Sheridan	

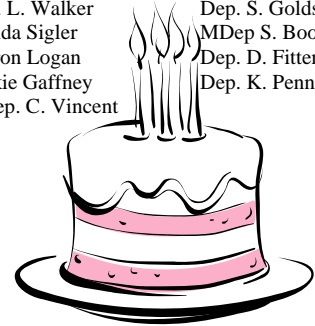


AUGUST

Dep. A. Alexander	Dep. V. Woodson
Dep. C. Toliver	Dep. L. Smith
Dep. T. Dubois	Dep. R. Johnson
Dep. R. Miller	Sgt. B. Murray
Sgt. C. Wilberg	Dep. N.E. Jones
Dep. L. Bethea	Dep. N.C. Jones
MDep. P. Chapman	Dep. F. Garland

SEPTEMBER

Dep. M. Hamlin	Cpl. C. Hoggard
Dep. F. Carter	Cpl. C. Chapman
Lt. K. Carey	Dep. F. Walton
Dep. L. Walker	Dep. S. Goldstone
Wanda Sigler	MDep S. Boothe-Hardy
Sharon Logan	Dep. D. Fitten
Vickie Gaffney	Dep. K. Penn
MDep. C. Vincent	



GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Birth:

- ★ Deputy Q. Abdullah became the proud grandmother of twin boys. Born May 13, one weighed 6 lbs 7 oz. The other was 7 lbs 8 oz.
- ★ Deputy T. Davis and his wife welcomed a baby boy on May 30. He weighed 7 lbs 7 oz and was 20 1/2 inches long.
- ★ Deputy M. Hamlin gave birth to a baby girl on May 31. She weighed 5 lbs 15 oz and measured 18 1/2 inches long.

Retirement:

- Cpl. Terry Jones retired effective December 31, 2009. She began her career with the Newport News Sheriff's Office in February of 1986.

Anniversary:

- 5 year:** Sgt. W. Walters; 4/05; Dep. S. Bailey 4/05; Dep. D. O'Neal-Brooks 4/05;
- 25 year:** Dep. T. Wortham 6/1985

SPECIAL RECOGNITIONS



— Employee of the 2nd Qtr. 2010, Cindy Young, LIDS Technician

- Deputy D. Jones, **Rotation B**, "Employee of the Month," April 2010
- Deputy W. Loth, **Rotation B**, "Employee of the Month," May 2010

**Are You Man Enough?
Put Yourself In Her Shoes.**

Men's March to Stop Rape, Sexual Assault And Gender Violence



Pictured clockwise from top: Deputies with the Newport News Sheriff's Office joined men from all walks of life on April 10, 2010 for the Annual "Walk a Mile in Her Shoes." Shawna Gray, Center for Sexual Assault Survivors, accepts a \$2,000 check from Butch Capps of Pearson Toyota. Dean Barker, CSB, shows he has a sense of humor as he switches from running shoes to his Wizard of Oz ruby red slippers.

"Phenomenal participation of deputies," smiled Shawna Gray. "We had 10 — 15 deputies. Sheriff Morgan put the challenge to them to collectively raise \$2,000 in order to get the Pearson Toyota match. They exceeded the mark!"

A total of \$11,000 was raised by 62 registered walkers!!!

Your IDENTITY — It's Personal — Keep It That Way!



In an effort to keep people from being victims of identity theft, the Newport News Sheriff's Office held a free Shred Day on April 24th at the Farmers Market in Southeast Newport News. Thanks to Stealth Shredding, Inc. for donating their time and services and to Weed & Seed volunteers Arielle McCullom, Ty'Sean Mayo and MaRhonda Echols.



CONGRATULATIONS CLASS 10-01

Pictured left to right: D. Fitten, O. Ashley, K. Gregory, M. Jones, D. Hill; and T. Lofswold. On May 19, these six graduated as Newport News Sheriff's Office deputy sheriffs from the Hampton Roads Criminal Justice Training Academy. They were joined by family, friends and colleagues at the graduation ceremony held at Fort Eustis Officer's Club.

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Master Deputy S. Chapman for graduating April 6, 2010 from the Basic Law Enforcement Academy (BLE). By completing BLE, Chapman has demonstrated his professional development.

The graduation ceremony was held at the Norfolk Fire and Rescue Training Center.



JOB WELL DONE!

Master Deputy E. Rocha earned her Bachelor's of Science in Criminal Justice from Old Dominion

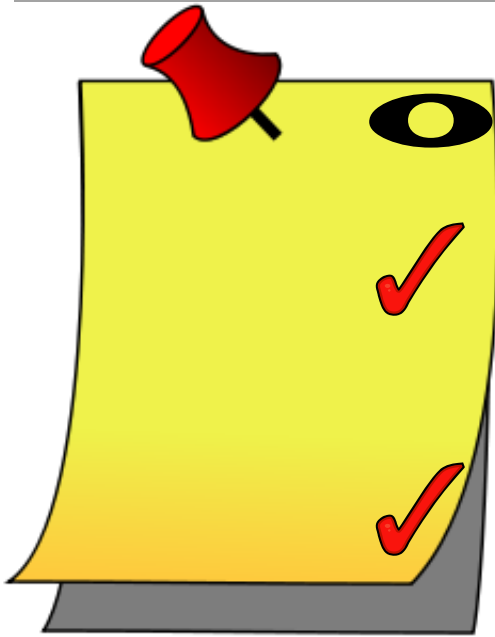
University. The Graduation ceremony was held in the Ted Constant Convocation Center in Norfolk on May 8.



Captain Keith Langford was awarded a certificate for successful completion of the 40th Command Institute for Law

Enforcement Executives. The school is conducted by the FBI Law Enforcement Executive Development Association, or LEEDA.

Langford joined other professionals from across the country. The training was attended by federal, state and municipal law enforcement officers. Courses included directing and facilitating organizational change, understanding the range of leadership behaviors, applying leadership behaviors to positively affect the organization, and instilling core values and high standards throughout the organization.



OF NOTE:

On May 22nd, Knights of Columbus presented Sgt. Frank Broadwater with the NN Sheriff Office "Officer of the Year" plaque and awarded him a \$250 check made out to his charity of choice. Broadwater selected the Wounded Warrior Project.

The Virginia Sheriff's Civil Enforcement Association chose to profile our very own Lt. Maria Moore. In a publication distributed to VSCEA members, Moore was recognized for her 17-year career with the Newport News Sheriff's Office and all that entails.



She explained Project Lifesaver as her passion and the importance of serving the program's 65 clients.

NN Sheriff Gabe Morgan Named Citizen of the Year



John Haywood, pictured left, Southeast Region President & Membership Chair of the Board of Directors for VAADAC and Ron Pritchard, far right, President of VAADAC honored Sheriff Gabe Morgan, center, for his many civic and professional commitments.

On March 26, 2010, The Virginia Association of Alcoholism and Drug Abuse Counselors (VAADAC) named Newport News Sheriff Gabe Morgan as their "CITIZEN OF THE YEAR."

Morgan was congratulated for his efforts to reduce recidivism through educational opportunities at the Newport News City Jail, along with substance abuse programs. Addiction is a driving force behind many criminal behaviors. Various counseling programs are offered at the jail.

Plus, Sheriff Morgan is a strong supporter of the Newport News Drug Court which provides an alternative to jail.

Mental illness and its impact on incarceration rates is another complicated issue that Sheriff Morgan continues to address. Morgan and the Community Services Board partnered on a Mental Health Jail Diversion Grant. The grant funds professional CSB health care workers to work in the City Jail providing treatment options for this special needs population.

FLASH BACK



To EVENTS



DENBIGH YOUTH BASEBALL LEAGUE ANNUAL PARADE

Summer kicked-off in usual fashion with the Denbigh Youth Baseball League Parade on April 17. Deputies provided traffic control in a little bit of drizzle. By the time the Newport News Sheriff's Office Honor Guard marched onto the streets to lead the parade, the sun broke through for a wonderful event.



Newport News Sheriff's Office Annual Employee/
Family Picnic

June 19 at Knights of Columbus



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Kids' Handy Prints

At the May 1st Newport News Children's Festival of Friends 2010, the Sheriff's Office Kids' Handy Prints program was popular. Deputy C. Johnson (pictured with the Chick-fil-A cow) and CRO Vickie Gaffney, fingerprinted over 225 children. The fingerprint and information card goes home with parents. In the event their child goes missing, they can present this identification to law enforcement to assist with search efforts..



EPTF Memorial Service

Sheriff's Office Among Participating Agencies

The City takes time each year to remember those who died during the previous calendar year. Lt. Col. Eileen Sprinkle represented the Newport News Sheriff's Office at the City's 20th Annual Public Recognition Week Memorial Ceremony. She laid four roses in remembrance of Paul Belt, Paul Candron, Lenex Alberts, Jr. and James Jones. They were former employees of the Sheriff's Office and passed away in 2009.

Cpl. Hoggard and Sgt. Broadwater were part of the Joint Honor Guard for the emotionally moving event.

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Sgt. Murray also seeks individuals who have experience in core trades. "We look for guys like that, who have skills in carpentry, plumbing, electrical and masonry."

Sometimes, however, he gives a shot to a guy based on a willingness to learn. "That's half the battle. If someone is willing to work and to



learn, we are willing to teach them the skill," explained Murray.

That is how Colby Parish, 23, got onboard. He admits not knowing how to power up the tools when he first started. "I didn't have any real experience. I've worked jobs but not skilled jobs. This is giving me a chance to go for jobs I wouldn't have even looked at before."

Time behind bars can be spent doing very little or spent constructively. Parish said he's looking at his future. "If I'm here, I want to learn something. I didn't want to get out (of jail) and maybe go back to doing the same thing (committing crimes)."

Murray is surprised by the influence his position affords. It is not what he had in mind when he traded a career as an experienced veteran of the U.S. Navy for the profession of a deputy sheriff.

He bumps into some of his former workers on the outside. "They are doing well for themselves, supporting their families. What I'm doing is worthwhile. We aren't just a work crew. We try to teach skills. Job skills and work ethics. It's pretty interesting to have that type of responsibility and challenges that go with it."

Parish is realistic. He knows having a



record is an obstacle. But he doesn't want that to stop him. "I am confident. I am motivated. I'm gonna try my hardest. Anyone can stay out if you put your mind to it." ★

