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SPECIAL POINTS OF  
INTEREST:

Monthly Meeting 10/11/2016  
7:00 PM  
APD Community Room



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# AlumNews

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## A Message from President...

The next three months promise to be very busy, informative and fun for the Aurora CPAAA. Our October and November general meetings will feature the National Guard, the APD Chaplains and our December meeting is our Annual Christmas Holiday Party. We will also have several opportunities for our members to participate and support the APD and CPAAA. See our calendar and features in this newsletter below for details. I hope you'll join us for a great Fall season.

## October Meeting Reminder...

With all the protests, rioting and civil unrest in the news lately we thought it would be informative to have the **Illinois National Guard** address our group. Come and find out how the Guard will support the APD and keep Aurora safe in the event of trouble.

## November Meeting...

The **APD Chaplains** play a critical role at the APD and received a number of commendations recently. Pastor Ed Doepel will be our guest speaker and I'm sure you'll enjoy his informative presentation.

## CPAAA BBQ Update...

We had a very successful CPAAA BBQ sale in September and raised \$1,668.00. The funds will be used to support the K9 unit and other unfunded needs of the APD officers and the CPAAA. I want to thank **Patricia Sheldon** for her leadership, hard work and extra effort that made this year's event a great success.



## Annual Christmas Holiday Party...

The 2016 CPAAA Holiday/Christmas Party will be on Tuesday December 13th. So mark your calendars and plan on attending. We will have a special program and raffle as part of the event. Since the party is still in the planning stage we will keep you updated. So keep an eye out for emails, Facebook posts and in the November newsletter.

## 2017 Upcoming Board Elections Positions Available...

The following board positions terms are up on December 31, 2016. The terms for these positions are two (2) years and will go from January 1, 2017 until December 31, 2018.

**1st Vice President**— Shall act as President in the absence of the President.

**Recording Secretary**—takes minutes at all membership and Board meetings. Secretary will present and distribute all general membership minutes to membership.

**Communications Coordinator**—responsible for filing any reports required of the CPAAA to any state, local or federal statute. The Coordinator shall also act as the assistant newsletter editor and as a columnist and shall manage the content of the City of Aurora/APD web site as it pertains to the CPAAA. The Coordinator shall also investigate the use of social media to communicate with members of the organization and the community.

If you are interested in any of these positions please contact Denny Wowra or Patricia Sheldon directly to discuss and obtain more information:

## Commendations...

Following is a list of Commendations which were given out in the last few months. Some can be found at the end of the newsletter. Congratulations to:

### CITIZEN

**Pastor Randy Schoof, Reverend Edwin Ruiz, Chaplain Emmitt Compton Sr., Pastor Dan Haas, Pastor Edwin Doepel, and Father Jerone Leake.** Given for guidance and support provided to the APD and community during stressful times. Also involved in the Prayer Vigil.

**Leobardo Maldonado** for assistance regarding a strong arm robbery on August 5, 2016. The information provided helped in apprehending the suspect.

### APD

**Sgt. Chris Whitfield** for his lifesaving attempt on June 20, 2016

Sgt. Robert Waller for his lifesaving attempt on June 20, 2016

Officer Timothy Young for his lifesaving efforts on August 12, 2016

## CPA Class #42 Graduation...

CPAAA members are invited to attend and support the **CPA Class #42 Graduation on Thursday, November 3rd at 7:30PM.** We encourage you to bring a treat/dessert item to share with the graduates. Please RSVP your intentions to Denny Wowra at [wowra325@comcast.net](mailto:wowra325@comcast.net) or 630-362-0854 no later than Friday, October 28th.

## New CPAAA Polo and T-Shirts...

As stated in our last newsletter and at our August meeting, the CPAAA is making a change to the “official” CPAAA polo and t-shirt. We are going to a new moisture wicking fabric and new royal blue color. The new polo shirt will be available in both a men’s (unisex) and women’s sizes and available for viewing at the October and November meetings. The price is \$28 for the polo and \$10 for the t-shirt. The old or experienced shirts are ALWAYS appropriate. To place your order, contact Brenda Roysdon at [broysdon@outlook.com](mailto:broysdon@outlook.com) or 331-425-2279.

## We Love Our Volunteers...

### BBQ

Patricia Sheldon, Denny Wowra, David Bohman, Beth Carter, Jill Hahn, Robert Gil, Sarah Walker, Jami Morrison, Brenda Roysdon, Rich Muszynski, Betty Wilder, Veronica Adame, Jim Shaw, Diane Shaw, Pat Milroy, Kevin Bishop, Jay Short, Dennis Dietlin and Leo Navar, C. Jean Bownes-Shepard.

### Traffic Stop

Jim Schweizer,, Jim Shaw, Diane Shaw, Anne Wetherholt, Robert Gil, Brenda Roysdon, Tim Nobles, Betty Wilder, Margaret Heinz, Diane Wickie, Steve Straus, Tanya Lindberg, Rich Muszynski, Shawnte' Segers, Denny Wowra and David Bohman

### APD Recognition Event

Veronica Adame, Bruce Kleinfeldt, Betty Wilder, Donna Beale, Dawn Pelligrini, David Bohman, Patricia Sheldon, Margaret Heinz, Terry Tiz and Denny Wowra

Would also like to note an omission from last months volunteer list. **Beach Boys**—John Jerrard

*If you volunteered and your name is not listed above, please accept our apologies and let us know so that we can acknowledge you in our next newsletter.*

## Other Interesting Stuff...

### Condolences/Get Well

If you or anyone in the Alumni has suffered an illness or loss of someone in their life, please let Janice Lindley know so we can acknowledge them in our newsletter.

The Citizen Police Academy Alumni of Aurora is a 501(c) (3) nonprofit organization. Our mission is to promote and enhance the relationship between the community and the Aurora Police Department through continuing law enforcement education of our members and the community, supporting and promoting special projects that strengthen the services provided by the Aurora Police Department, and assisting the Aurora Police Department in specific projects.

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# APD July Employee of the Month...



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September 28, 2016

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Keith M. Cross

**Deputy Chief**  
Keefe D. Jackson

TO: All Police Personnel  
FROM: Kristen L. Ziman, Chief of Police   
SUBJECT: Employee of the Month – July 2016

**I AM PLEASED TO ANNOUNCE THAT SERGEANT CHRIS WHITFIELD AND SERGEANT ROBB WALLERS WERE SELECTED AS CO-EMPLOYEES OF THE MONTH FOR JULY 2016.**

On June 20, 2016, police and paramedics were dispatched to the 800 block of Fifth Street for a 3-month-old child who was unconscious and not breathing. Sergeant Chris Whitfield and Sergeant Robb Wallers were the first on the scene and found the child on the front porch of the residence surrounded by several panicked family members who were attempting CPR. Sergeant Whitfield immediately took over and began lifesaving CPR, while Sergeant Wallers attempted to calm the family. Sergeant Whitfield continued CPR on the infant until he was able to restore the child's breathing, albeit labored. Sergeant Whitfield continued to care for the child until he was turned over to emergency medical staff, where he was treated and later transported to a local children's hospital for continued emergency care.

Sergeant Rowley spoke to the emergency room doctor and nurses at Rush-Copley hospital who made it abundantly clear that if not for the lifesaving efforts of Sergeant Whitfield, this young child would have certainly perished before he could be turned over to their care. Sergeant Rowley also credits Sergeant Wallers' for his calm and steady control of the terrified family members which made it possible for Sergeant Whitfield to perform this lifesaving effort successfully.

In his recommendation, Sergeant Rowley stated, "Sergeant Whitfield's actions were both incredible and heroic, and Sergeant Wallers' ability to provide the needed assistance was a clear demonstration of teamwork and selfless service in a desperate time of need." Lieutenant Ahlgren stated, "If not for their ability to assess the situation quickly, professionally take control, and administer CPR, this child would not have survived. Sergeants Whitfield & Wallers should be commended for their heroic lifesaving actions which coincide with the Aurora Police Department's Mission Statement."

**Please join me in congratulating Sergeant Chris Whitfield and Sergeant Robb Wallers on this well-deserved recognition.**

cc: Mayor Thomas Weisner; Alex Alexandrou, COA CAO; Alisia Lewis, Human Resources;  
Deputy Chief Jackson; Commanders; Dan Ferrelli, COA PIO; CAAA

## CPAAA 2016 Calendar

Event	Date (if known)	Comments	Status
APD Employee of Yr. Ceremony	March 16	Members asked to assist at the event	Done
CPA Spring Practical's	3/3 & 4/14	Members help with building search and traffic stop classes. You can be as bad or good as you want to be.	Done
CPA Spring Graduation	4/21	Members help serve pizza at graduation and encourage graduates to join our organization	Done
NCPAA Conference	4/25-4/28	Midway Utah. CPAAA pays registration for 2 Bd members and 1 at large member as well as 2 Officers	Done
Police Week	5/15-5/21	Members help at Police Week events including Ceremony at APD on 5/16	Done
Cop on Top	5/20	Members help officers collect donations for Special Olympics at Dunkin Donut locations	Done
4th of July Parade	7/4	We participated for our 20th Anniversary and again last year. Let us know if you would like to do it again	Done
APD Golf Outing		Members sell closest to the hole chances and assist with the outing	Done
Cardboard Boat Race	8/20	Members build a Cardboard Boat that is powered by APD officers in the Annual United Way Race	Done
Downtown Alive	Summer	Members assist RiverEdge Park employees with entrance gate staffing	Done
CPA Fundraising BBQ	9/13	Members organize, sell tickets and assist with the event	Done
CPA Fall Practical's	9/15 & 10/27	Members help serve pizza at graduation and encourage graduates to join our organization	
CPA Fall Graduation	11/3	Members help serve pizza at graduation and encourage graduates to join our organization	
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General Member Meetings	1/10; 2/7; 3/14; 4/11; 5/9		

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