



CCPD Community Engagement Newsletter

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Citizen's Academy

Two New Classes
Starting in September

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NATIONAL NIGHT OUT



The Chesterfield Police department celebrated its annual National Night Out event on August 2nd this year. Approximately 100 neighborhoods all across the county joined in the festivities and helped give crime a going away party. Officers from patrol thru command staff level including Chief Katz visited parties and met with citizens to share food, fun, and friendship. As always, McGruff was a popular guest wherever he showed up, visiting friends both young and young at heart. National Night Out 2022 once again proved to be an exciting night that strengthened the bonds between the police department and the citizens that it serves.



Welcome

to the Community Services Division



Captain John Miller

Captain Jonathan Miller is now commander of the Community Services Division, which includes the Community Engagement Unit and the School Safety Unit. He brings vast experience to his new post. After his years in the Marine Corps, Capt. Miller began his police career in Chesterfield, where he has served in numerous positions from patrol sergeant to unit commander in the Criminal Investigations Division, the Special Investigations Division and Special Operations.

Cpt. Miller and his wife, Amy, have been married for 27 years and have three children, Stephanie, Joshua and Seth. In his spare time, Captain Miller enjoys kayaking, canoeing, hiking, camping and travel.

Lieutenant David Samuels

Lieutenant David Samuels has been with the department for 23 years. His career has included many roles, including patrol officer, crash investigator, patrol sergeant, school resource sergeant, traffic sergeant, patrol lieutenant, and Office of Professional Standards lieutenant. He joins us now as the commander of the Community Engagement Unit. Lt. Samuels is pleased to be back at Community Services in this role.

He and his wife, Jennifer, have been married for 21 years and have a 16-year-old daughter and a 14-year-old son.



HOW HOT IS YOUR CAR? DON'T PUT YOUR PETS IN DANGER!



IN JUST 10 MINUTES, THE
TEMPERATURE INSIDE YOUR
VEHICLE CAN RISE

20°

IN 30 MINUTES, THE
TEMPERATURE INSIDE YOUR
VEHICLE CAN RISE:

30°

- On a comfortable 70 degree day, your car’s temperature can actually rise to 104 degrees within 30 minutes.
- Shade and cracked windows WILL NOT keep the care at a comfortable temperature.
- Heat stroke can happen quickly in all animals, but animals who are elderly, overweight, have short muzzles, and those with thick or dark colored coats are more at risk.
- If your dog becomes overheated, seek veterinary treatment immediately, turn the A/C on and place cool towels over the animal. Never immerse the animal in cold water.

LEAVE YOUR PETS AT HOME!

It is against the law to leave a pet unattended in a parked vehicle in a manner that endangers the health or safety of the animal. An animal cruelty conviction could result in a jail sentence and/or a fine.



For more safety information concerning pets in vehicles scan the QR code or visit www.avma.org/resources-tools/pet-owners/petcare/pets-vehicles.

Please report animal neglect/cruelty to:

Chesterfield County Animal Services
(804) 748-1251
9300 Public Works Road
Chesterfield, VA 23832



NO LAZY DAYS OF SUMMER WITH PAL

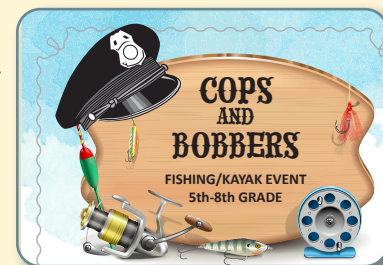
Chesterfield County youths who participated in our Police Activities League (PAL) programs spent less time hanging around the house and more hours engaged in adventure and physical exercise. In June, Cops and Bobbers, a fishing/kayak event for fifth through eighth graders, was held at Henricus Historic Park, followed by lunch from Mission BBQ. Also in June, the Summer Bowling League for first through 12th graders began at Uptown Alley. The Broadwater Townhomes Community Cookout provided music, hot dogs, beverages, and fun at the swimming pool near month's end.

In July, along with Chesterfield County Parks and Recreation, PAL sponsored Kids on the Move, five full- and half-day summer camps that included games, sports, crafts, music, science, field trips, breakfast, lunch, and free play. Work Hard Play Hard, a football event at L.C. Bird High School, gave PAL members the opportunity to meet NFL superstar Anthony Harris.

Tubing on the James on August 1 provided relief from the summer heat. Two days later, PAL sponsored both a Glow Skate Party at Chester Skateland and Game Day, four hours of kickball, dodgeball, and free refreshments. In association with New Life Outreach Church, PAL participated in Backpack Giveaway, where children received free backpacks with school supplies, free haircuts, and free food. PAL will finish August with a free showing of "The Princess Bride" at the Woodlake Athletic Complex. All are invited to attend.



No lazy summer days on PAL's watch!



PAL'S END OF THE SUMMER MOVIE NIGHT

Featuring:
The Princess Bride
August 18 at 8 p.m.
Woodlake Athletic Complex
5700 Woodlake Village Pkwy
(behind Clover Hill H.S.)



UNCLE DAVE'S Chester
"A Simple Taste of Heaven"



Movie is free!
Popcorn & Snow Cones - available for purchase
Don't forget your chairs or blankets!



Scan QR code to register or go to forms.office.com/g/UuTEks1wb2



Upcoming Fall Citizen's Academies

Tuesdays
 Sept. 6 - Oct. 18
 6:30 p.m. - 10 p.m.

OR

Thursdays
 Sept. 8 - Oct. 20
 8:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

sign up at www.chesterfield.gov/945/academies
 or scan QR code below



- TOPICS INCLUDE**
- K9
 - SWAT
 - Traffic
 - Forensics
 - Ride-Along
 - Officer Panel
 - County Attorney
 - Defensive Tactics
 - Special Response Unit
 - Use of Force Scenarios
 - School Resource Officers
 - Uniform Operations Bureau



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17th Teen Academy Offers Fun and Experience

This year's annual Teen Academy, which met from July 11-15, provided exciting, hands-on ways for teens to learn about the various aspects of law enforcement. The 18 participants were introduced to Uniform Operations, the K-9 Unit, and Forensics on their first day. They spent most of the second day on the challenge course before visiting the County Animal Shelter. On day three, the teens learned about the traffic team, and the use of radar to check auto speed. Details of the operation and importance of Crime Solvers and a tour of Enon were also provided. Day four was multi-faceted; the first half was spent at the Chesterfield County airport, and the second half of the day was spent learning about internet safety, detective work, and police service aids. On the final day, the teens learned about our SWAT (Special Weapons and Tactics) Team, drug-use prevention, and opioids. A graduation ceremony completed the Academy on Friday.

Learning the broad spectrum of police work surely impressed these young people, all of whom left the program with a deeper understanding and appreciation for their county police department.



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