



Established 1994

AUGUST 2021

# AlumNews

VOLUME 12 ISSUE 7

A PUBLICATION OF  
THE CITIZEN  
POLICE ACADEMY  
ALUMNI OF AURORA

SPECIAL POINTS OF  
INTEREST:

**OUR NEXT  
MEETING IS  
TUESDAY  
AUGUST 10TH**

[APD Community room](#)



## INSIDE THIS ISSUE

<a href="#">Presidents Message</a>	1
<a href="#">August Meeting Speaker</a>	1
<a href="#">Volunteers June thru July</a>	2,3
<a href="#">Volunteer Opportunities</a>	3
<a href="#">Christmas Part</a>	3
<a href="#">Other Information</a>	4
<a href="#">...Products for Sale</a>	4
<a href="#">...Snacks</a>	4
<a href="#">...Condolences/Get Well</a>	4
<a href="#">Car Wash Flyer</a>	5
<a href="#">Cuffs and Hoses</a>	6
<a href="#">2021 Calendar</a>	7

## Presidents Message...

Hello everyone.

Summer is racing by and the CPAAA has been busy providing volunteers for activities for the APD and City of Aurora. It sure feels good to be active. I would like to personally invite all our members – including **YOU** to join with your fellow CPAAA members as we serve the Aurora PD and City of Aurora. In this newsletter you will find a list of upcoming events and opportunities.

### Our Goodbye to Chief Ziman

Please join me in congratulating on her retirement and thanking Chief Ziman for her service and dedication to the APD and City of Aurora. She has served the Aurora PD for nearly 30 years starting as a cadet and working her way through the ranks all the way to Chief. Chief Ziman has been a strong supporter of the CPAAA and has addressed and welcomed each new CPA Class, she has also been a guest presenter every year addressing current and emerging issues at our CPAAA regular meetings. She has called us part of the APD team helping improve the public image and spreading positive messages. We will miss you. God bless and be safe.

### Welcome to our New Chief

Deputy Chief Keith Cross will be our new chief after being sworn in on August 11<sup>th</sup>. DC Cross is a long-term employee of the Aurora PD and is a strong supporter of the CPAAA. We're looking forward to working and serving with him in the coming years. Congratulations DC Cross!

**August Meeting** – In spite of the surge in Covid, I hope you will join us at the August General Meeting on Tuesday, August 10<sup>th</sup> at 7PM.

## August Meeting Guest Speaker

Join us at our August General meeting to meet our new Top Cop!

Let's give a warm CPAAA welcome as we hear a few words from Police Chief-Elect Cross.





## THANKS TO OUR VOLUNTEERS

### June thru July...



We would like to take this opportunity to list and thank all of those who volunteered during the months of June and July.

#### June 11 - APD Obstacle Course

Sharissa McQueen, Gail Strzelczyk, Amy Dermott, Craig Bonifas, Melissa Wallace, Bill Andrae, Rosa Arriaga

#### June 12 - APD Obstacle Course

Sharissa McQueen, Gail Strzelczyk, Amy Dermott, Sue Marks, Tiffany Merrill, Angelica Ramos, MaryAlice Bier, Veronica Adame

#### June 18 - Food distribution

Cynthia Valdez, Amy Dermott, Bill Andrae, Gail Strzelczyk, Deb Bell, Rosa Arriaga, Robert Pellegrini, Saul Olivas, Denny Wowra, Sharissa McQueen, Jay Short

#### June 30 - Recognition Ceremony

Denny Wowra, Sharissa McQueen, MaryAlice Bier, Deb Bell, Amy Dermott, Veronica Adame, Terra Barnes, Saul Olivas, Jay Short

#### July 1 - RiverEdge - REO Speedwagon concert

Robert Gil, Deb Bell, Sharissa McQueen, Gail Strzelczyk, Amy Dermott, Sharon Nelson, Veronica Adame, Melissa Wallace, Joe Eaton, Tony Alonso, Jay Short

#### July 2 - Fireworks

Gail Strzelczyk, Deb Bell, Denny Wowra, Robert Pellegrini, Craig Bonifas, Kris Mendoza, Joe Mendoza, Steve Norman, Janet Dellorto, Sharissa McQueen, Amy Dermott, Veronica Adame, Laurie Cellini, Jay Short

#### July 4 Parade

Gail Strzelczyk, Deb Bell, Steve Norman, Rosa Arriaga, Janet Dellorto, Sharissa McQueen, Robert Gil, Tony Alonso, Tracy Ruff, Saul Olivas, Duane Reigle, Dave Bohman, Laurie Cellini, Amy Dermott, Denny Wowra, Jay Short

#### July 9 - RiverEdge - One of These Nights concert

Sharissa McQueen, Gail Strzelczyk, Amy Dermott, Veronica Adame, Mike Buchenauer, Saul Olivas, Janet Dellorto, John Jerrard, Kris Mendoza, Joe Mendoza, Dave Bohman, Denny Wowra, Jay Short

#### July 8 - APPO Golf Outing

Sharissa McQueen, Amy Dermott, Laurie Cellini, Denny Wowra, Jay Short

#### July 10 - APD/Mutual Ground Supplies Collection

Frances Berg, Angelica Ramos, Jaclyn Janor, Pat Demerath, Carol Benjamin, Veronica Adame, Gail Strzelczyk, Sarah Walker, Sue Marks, Sharissa McQueen, Jay Short, Rosa Arriaga

# THANKS TO OUR VOLUNTEERS...

## July 16 - RiverEdge - Tusk concert

Deb Bell, Gal Strzelczyk, Amy Dermott, John Balint, Jaime Brendle, Denny Wowra, Sharissa McQueen, Kay Murphy, Lillian Garesche, Terra Barnes, Symone Barnes, Janet Dellorto, Tony Alonso, Jay Short

## July 17 - Youth Academy Car Wash

Jose Cervantes, Angelica Ramos, Gail Strzelczyk, Deb Bell, MaryAlice Bier, Rosa Arriaga, Veronica Adame, Jay Short

## July 18 - RiverEdge - Sammy Hagar concert

Debbie Pimpo, Robert Gil, Sharissa McQueen, Amy Dermott, Gail Strzelczyk, Craig Bonifas, Dave Bohman, Sue Griffin, Terry Griffin, Denny Wowra, Jennifer Stallings, Kay Murphy, Lillian Garesche, Deb Bell, Jay Short

## July 27 - Youth Academy Building Searches

Gail Strzelczyk, Sharissa McQueen, Donna Beale, Deb Bell, Gerardo Torres, Bob Kowalski and Kay Murphy.

UPCOMING VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITES/ EVENTS	
<b>We still need volunteers for the dates listed below. If you are able to help, please contact Jay directly at: <a href="mailto:jshort398@yahoo.com">jshort398@yahoo.com</a></b>	
Friday, August 20	Breakfast with Champions (COP ON TOP)
Friday, August 20	RiverEdge—Get the LED Out
Saturday, August 21	CPAAA Car Wash
Saturday, August 28	RiverEdge—Poi Dog Pondering

## Snacks...



Starting with our August meeting we will once again offer snacks.

We are asking for volunteers to provide snacks for Sep, Oct, Nov and Dec General Meetings .

**Guidelines:** all items must be individually wrapped. Unfortunately any non sealed items will not be served.

If you are able to bring snacks, please contact Jay. There will also be a signup sheet at the August meeting.

# Christmas Party is Coming to Town...



We are so excited. Plans for this years Christmas party have started. Since we did not have one last year thanks to the wonderful COVID-19 we are changing things up this year.

This years party will be held on a Friday, that's right **so mark your calendars** for

**Date:** Friday, December 17th  
**Place:** Gaslite Manor  
**Cost:** TBD

### Your committee this year is:

Janice Lindley—Chair, Dawn Pellegrini, Amy Dermott, Laurie Cellini, Jay Short, Veronica Adame.

More information will be provided as it gets closer. If you have any questions or ideas you are free to email them to Janice: [cpaaa1994@outlook.com](mailto:cpaaa1994@outlook.com)

# Other Information...

## Products for Sale...

The following items products are available for purchase at our August 10th Meeting.

Item	*Cost
T-shirts	*\$17.00 -\$21.00
Sweatshirts	*\$20.00 -\$24.00
Mask	\$8.00
Key Ring	\$10.00
<b>Can be ordered</b>	
Jackets	*\$40.00 - \$44.00
Polos	*\$27.00 - \$32.00

\*Cost based on size

## Car Wash... August 20th



Hey everyone, make sure to mark your calendar for our upcoming car wash on August 21st. So save the date and plan on having your car washed.

This is one of our major fundraisers so come on out, either volunteer or just get your car washed.

### 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.

..This newsletter is published monthly. Opinions expressed in this publication do not necessarily represent the opinion and/or objectives of the membership or the board of directors. All articles submitted are subject to editing for style, allotted space, and good taste. Authors submitting articles for publication are responsible for their contribution. The Citizen Police Academy Alumni of Aurora assumes no responsibility or liability for missing or inaccurate attribution.

**Address comments and inquiries to Citizen Police Academy Alumni of Aurora, 1200 E Indian Trail Aurora, IL. 60505**

Denny Wowra <b>President</b> <a href="mailto:wowra325@comcast.net">wowra325@comcast.net</a>	Veronica Adame <b>1st Vice President</b> <a href="mailto:vadame5534@gmail.com">vadame5534@gmail.com</a>	Janice Lindley <b>2nd Vice President</b> <a href="mailto:cpaaa1994@outlook.com">cpaaa1994@outlook.com</a>	Amy Dermott <b>Treasurer</b> <a href="mailto:treasurer.cpaaa@gmail.com">treasurer.cpaaa@gmail.com</a>
Dave Bohman <b>Past President</b> <a href="mailto:bohmand@gmail.com">bohmand@gmail.com</a>	Laurie Cellini <b>Secretary</b> <a href="mailto:lmcfinance93@comcast.net">lmcfinance93@comcast.net</a>	Janice Lindley <b>Communications Coord.</b> <a href="mailto:cpaaa1994@outlook.com">cpaaa1994@outlook.com</a>	Dawn Pellegrini <b>Membership Coordinator</b> <a href="mailto:membership.cpaaa@gmail.com">membership.cpaaa@gmail.com</a>
Jay Short <b>Event Coordinator</b> <a href="mailto:jshort398@yahoo.com">jshort398@yahoo.com</a>	Rosa Arriaga <b>Assistant Event Coordinator</b> <a href="mailto:rosaarriaga90@gmail.com">rosaarriaga90@gmail.com</a>	Beth Carter <b>APD Liaison</b> <a href="mailto:carterb@apd.aurora.il.us">carterb@apd.aurora.il.us</a>	



**FOURTH ANNUAL  
CITIZEN POLICE ACADEMY  
ALUMNI OF AURORA**

**CAR WASH FUNDRAISER**

**\$6 Cars & \$8 Vans & SUVs**

Saturday, August 21<sup>st</sup>

9:00 AM – 1:00 PM

Aurora Police Department

1200 E. Indian Trail

*\*All proceeds benefit the APD Retired K-9s\**





# BLOOD DRIVE

Stronger Together

Donate  
Blood

Tuesday  
August

10

3:30pm - 7:30pm

**Helpful tip:**  
Make sure to eat a healthy  
meal and drink plenty of  
water before donating.

**PHOTO ID & MASKS  
REQUIRED.**

## CUFFS & HOSES BLOOD DRIVE Community Welcome!

Located at the Prisco Community Center  
in Room 104 - 150 W Illinois Ave, Aurora

Appointments greatly appreciated; walk-ins  
welcome as the schedule and social distancing allow.

To schedule, go to [www.versiti.org/IL](http://www.versiti.org/IL), load the  
Versiti Donor app, or call (800) 7TO-GIVE.

You **DO NOT NEED** the COVID-19 vaccine in order to  
donate. You are also eligible to donate if you  
received a COVID-19 vaccine on or before 8/7.

**EVERY DONOR WILL RECEIVE A THANK YOU GIFT &  
SAVE UP TO 3 LIVES!**



