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President's Message...

Greetings CPAAA!

We held our first in-person meeting of the year in March...jam-packed with announcements, coupled with a phenomenal speaker, boy did we fill the room!

We look forward to filling up the Community Room AGAIN in April! We hope you'll join us.

Last month, our first outing of 2022 – the "CPAAA FUN SHOOT" – indeed proved to be "FUN" with a great turnout and fantastic feedback from attendees. Our next outing is SET! We are headed to Feed My Starving Children (FMSC) in Aurora on May 18th. Alongside some of our C.O.P officers, at FMSC, we'll be packing meals that will be distributed to communities all over the world. Watch for details to sign-up.

In March, we approved a CPAAA contribution toward the purchase of a new APD mascot. Our group has been tasked with naming our new incoming German Shepherd mascot! A naming contest is underway, check your email and our Facebook page for more details.

The new CPA Class Ambassador Program launched in March, starting with the newest CPA Class, #51. Thank you to those that signed up! Your CPAAA Board is so proud to introduce a new opportunity to our membership and we thank the APD and C.O.P Unit for their support in our efforts!

April Guest Speaker...

Our guest speaker for April will be former APD COP Officer and now FBI Special Agent—David Bemer. Special Agent Bemer was an APD Officer from 2007 to 2017. Upon leaving he joined the FBI. He was on the FBI DEA Task Force from 2019-2022 and is currently assigned to the Criminal Enterprise Gang Investigations - Chicago.

We hope that you will join us!

March Guest Speaker Recap...

Our guest speaker for March was Norma Peterson. Norma is the Executive Director of Document the Abuse. She presented an overview of the Evidentiary Abuse Affidavit (EAA). She explained that the EAA is an online resource that tracks each domestic violence event. By using this resource it allows the victim to upload police reports, hospital reports, pictures, etc and that writing down the events creates a written record and patterns and a behavioral pattern become clearer. By utilizing the EAA victims can gain back some control and empower them to plan an exit strategy. The EAA can also be used by someone who is in contact with the victim.

Domestic Abuse: If you know someone. If you are someone. Or if you can help someone go to: <https://documenttheabuse.com> for more details and information.



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SPECIAL POINTS OF
INTEREST:

**OUR NEXT
MEETING IS**

**Tuesday
April 12, 2022
At: 7:00 pm**

**Kristen Ziman
Community Room**

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New Emails for Board....

The board now has new emails associated with their current position on the board. This ensures consistency of emails as board members come and go and is beneficial by not having to provide new email addresses to contacts and also changing media. There will be a transitional period while board members and members get used to them.

Following are the new email addresses and will continue to be published in the newsletter.

Board Name	Title	Email
Veronica Adame	President	president@cpaaa.net
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May Meeting Date Change... Don't forget that our May meeting has been moved to: **Wednesday May 11th.**

Bonker Bites Fundraiser...



CPAAA is always looking for ways to fund current and future projects. To keep continued funding to the K9 Retirement fund we are happy to announce that in collaboration with Bonker Bites, we now have a fundraiser. Bonker Bites is a local company that supplies 100% natural treats for dogs.

For all purchases made online, 20% of the total purchase will go directly to the K9 Retirement Fund.

To place an order and get more information go to:

https://www.bonkerbites.com/discount/CPAAA?ref=CPAAA_2022

Do you know what's in your treats?

Bonkerbites.com proudly offers 100% all-natural, single ingredient treats & chews! Absolutely NOTHING added!

<p>Ingredients: Beef Heart</p> <p>Nutrition Facts</p> <p>Minimum Crude Protein 73%</p> <p>Minimum Crude Fat 8%</p> <p>Minimum Crude Fiber 4%</p> <p>Maximum Moisture 9%</p> <p>Caloric Content: 2070 kcal/kg, 84 kcal/oz</p> <p>Bonker Bites Treats and Chews are healthy, 100% all-natural, proudly sourced and produced in the U.S.A. We believe pets should have protein packed, premium treats that contain no additives, no preservatives, are gluten and grain free and contain no artificial colors or flavoring.</p> <p>Bonkerbites.com</p>	<p>Handcrafted Bonker Bites are made in small batches with 1 single ingredient to ensure the highest quality and maintain freshness.</p> <p>Locally Sourced Ingredients responsibly sourced from family farms in 16 US states.</p> <p>Premium Ingredients Real meat products. No fillers. No more junk. No artificial colors. No preservatives. Grain free. Grain free.</p> <p>Feed as a Treat. Always supervise your dog when feeding any treats or chews. Store in a cool, dry place. Re-seal after opening.</p>	
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Great selection

- Bully Sticks
- Chicken Breasts
- Chicken Feet
- Beef Trachea
- Beef Heart
- Training Treats

Upcoming Events....

Feed My Starving Children....



CPAAA is heading to Feed My Starving Children (FMSC) in Aurora on **May 18th**. Alongside some of our C.O.P officers, at FMSC, we'll be packing meals that will be distributed to communities all over the world.

Feed My Starving Children is an organization that partners with organizations around the world to reach God's neediest children. They donate meals to an exceptional network of missions and humanitarian organizations who work hard to get life-saving nutrition into the hands and tummies of those who need it most.

More than 99% of FMSC meals have safely reached their intended destination. Because FMSC meals are donated free of cost, their partners are able to focus the majority of their time and resources on their primary ministries, such as schools, churches/places of worship, feeding programs and community centers, orphanages, health clinics and home construction.

This opportunity to volunteer is limited. More information will be given at the meeting and in an email Mid April on how you can sign up.

Summer Gala....

CPAAA

2022 SUMMER GALA—Fundraiser

Come out for a night to socialize, relax and just down right enjoy yourself.

June 9, 2022

One E. Benton St—lower level

6:00—9:00 pm

Cost is: \$25.00 per person

Reservations are limited.

- Light appetizers will be provided along with various wines, soft drinks and water.
- Lottery tree and money tree - Raffle
- Paintings from local artists will go to the highest bid.

The majority of the proceeds will go toward the K9 Retirement Fund.

Don't forget to save the date for our **Summer Gala Fundraiser** on Thursday, June 9, 2022.

This is a great opportunity to have a relaxing night out.

Due to space limitations it is limited to 80 people and will be by reservation only.

While details are still being finalized. Just a few things.

- ◆ There will be an auction for paintings by local artists.
- ◆ Raffle tickets will be sold for a money & lottery tree.
- ◆ K9 Retirement Fund donation jar
- ◆ QR code so that you can donate directly to the fund.
- ◆ Light appetizers will be served.
- ◆ Majority of proceeds will go to the K9 Retirement Fund.

As things get closer an email will be sent and posted on FB that we are now taking reservations and payments.

If you have any extra bottles of wine you don't need and would like to donate for the event. Please contact Veronica or Janice and they will be happy to pick them up or you can bring to the Meeting on April 12th.

Other Information...



Mascot Naming Contest....

Don't forget we need your help in naming the APD's new mascot. This new officer will be joining the APD soon. Just a brief reminder of the Official Contest Rules.

1. Eligibility - You must be a current member of the CPAAA to participate in the Name Our Mascot Contest.
2. How to Enter. At the April 12th, 2022, meeting there will be slips next to the sign in sheet. Take one and submit your Mascot name by the end of the meeting or if you are unable to make it you can email Deb Bell at: secondvicepresident@cpaaa.net
3. The board will then select three and submit them to the APD to determine the Winner.


Alumni Website Access....

The Alumni only section of our website: <http://www.cpaaa.net/alumni-only-2/> has been updated and ready for members. The password will be sent out within the next week. This section contains the approved minutes and financials.




Happy Birthday!

APRIL	
Rosa	Arriaga
Musunuri	Chakradhar
Amy	Dermott
James P.	Durkin
Burton	Fletcher
Jamie	Hughes
Ray	Jackson
Kim	Mundt
Kay	Murphy
Jim	Rieser
Maureen	Shafer
Amanda	Sidhu
Gerardo	Torres



Twitter and Instagram

Coming Soon....



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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CPAAA Calendar

Dates are approximate and are subject to change as information becomes available

Event	Date (if known)	Comments	Status
2022	ALL FUTURE EVENTS ARE SUBJECT TO COVID-19 RESTRICTIONS (IF ANY)		
APD Employee of Year Ceremony		Members asked to assist at the event	
CPA Spring Practicals	Traffic Stops—5/5 Decision Door—5/26	Members help with traffic stop and other classes as needed. You can be as bad or good as you want to be.	
CPA Spring Graduation	6/2	Members help serve pizza at graduation & encourage graduates to join our organization	
NCPAA Conference	CANCELLED TILL 2023	CPAAA pays registration for two Board members, one at large member as well as two Officers	
Police Week			
Breakfast with Champions (formerly Cop on Top)		Members help officers collect donations for Special Olympics at various Dunkin Donut locations	
Police Week Cookout		Members help setup, serve and cook for the annual Police Week Cookout.	
Police Week Memorial	5/10	Mooseheart—Members assist where needed at memorial service.	
Feed My Starving Children	5/18		
Memorial Day Parade	5/30	Members help assist in traffic control	
CPAAA Fundraising BBQ			
Summer Gala	June 9	1 E. Benton Bottom Floor—start 6:00 pm	
4th of July Parade/Fireworks	July 4	Members assist in traffic control. If CPAAA has a float, members will ride or walk alongside.	
APPO Golf Outing		Members sell closest to the hole chances and assist with the outing, also teams of four will be formed	
RiverEdge	Various dates	Members assist RiverEdge Park employees with entrance gate staffing at various functions	
Annual Car Wash	August—TBD		
CPA Fall Practicals		Members help with traffic stop and other classes as needed. You can be as bad or good as you want to be.	
CPA Fall Graduation		Members help serve pizza at graduation and encourage graduates to join our organization	
Winter Lights Celebration	11/18		
General Member Meetings	APRIL 12—in person	April 12, May 11, August 9, September 13, October 11, November 8	
Annual Holiday Party		TBD	
APD Tree Setup & Takedown		APD Tree Setup December 4, 2022; APD Tree Take Down January 7, 2023	