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President's Message...

Greetings CPAAA!

As 2022 winds down, I am reminded of what a GIVING organization we are! Over the past 10 ½ months, each of you has been so gracious to give your time & energy, ideas & participation, sweat (literally at RiverEdge!) & compassion...at volunteer events, at monthly meetings, at group outings, at the weekly CPA classes, etc.

I am also reminded of how truly REWARDING it is to be a part of the CPAAA! Over the past 10 ½ months, we have had wonderful presenters, had fun, unique outings, and we have made many new friends all while supporting our city, our APD officers and our K9s!

Let's celebrate this prosperous year together at our annual holiday party coming up on **December 13th**!

October Speaker Recap...

Our guest speakers for October were Lyndsay and Yvette from the AID Street Outreach program. They gave an overview of the program, its start and its goals. They explained the Street Outreach program's is to connect the unsheltered homeless with services. There are many obstacles for the homeless: *no ID, no phone, no transportation, etc.*

They further explained that before they can provide services, rapport must be established to gain trust. Some things provided is help to secure food (Aurora Food Pantry), transportation to doctor's appointments, basic care management, etc. The two work independently in the Aurora and Elgin areas but support each other in their efforts.

They rely on donations and as winter approaches items like propane, winterwear, hand warmers, blankets, etc. are a vital need. Gift cards can also be helpful.

November Speaker...

Our guest speaker scheduled for our November meeting will be Sgt. Hahn from the Gang unit.

Sgt. Hahn will give an overview of the gang unit and what is going on in Aurora. So make sure to join us!!



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SPECIAL POINTS OF
INTEREST:

**OUR NEXT
MEETING IS**

**TUESDAY
November 8, 2022
At: 7:00 pm**

**Kristen Ziman
Community Room**

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Thank You To Our Volunteers...

APD Faith & Blue 10/8

Amanda Sidhu
 Brenda Roysdon
 Christina Smith
 David Suydam
 Dennis Wowra
 Gail Strzelczyk
 Jay Short
 Saul Olivas
 Sharissa McQueen
 Sharon Slaughter

Spanish CPA Class Practical: Decision Door - 10/18

Carlos Villarreal
 Jose Cervantes
 Leticia Ruiz
 Yovani Gonzalez-Alcantara

English CPA Class Practical: Decision Door - 10/20

Amy Dermott
 Dawn Mowka
 Mike Buchenauer
 Sharissa McQueen

Thank you to all the Class Ambassadors who helped and also to anyone else who helped behind the scene.

Upcoming Volunteer Opportunities ...

November

11/18: Winter Lights Parade (City)

December

12/4: Christmas trees setup (APD)

12/15: Gift wrapping (APD)

12/16: Gift wrapping (APD)



Thanks to Peter Aguilera for bringing snacks for our October Meeting.

November Birthdays...

Aime Nibigira
 Alan Carrillo
 Bill Hughes
 Brenda Vargas
 Chris Lanoue
 Christina Smith
 Deb Bell
 Deborah Pimpo
 Jennifer Stallings
 John Jerrard
 Josie Mendoza Gehler

Julie Chandler
 Kathryn White
 Laura Sweet
 Megan Tommer
 Nohemi Marcus
 Ramona Wood
 Ronny Sindhi
 Sabrina Peyton
 Sherry McKirgan
 Terence Wise
 Tracy Ruff

Happy Birthday/Belated to our members who have or had a birthday this month.

We hope you have or had a great day!





Annual Holiday Party...



Anticipation.....

Its almost time to celebrate an awesome year, our APD Officers and not to mention all of our great volunteers. New venue, more seating, different menu.

There are still reservations available for the upcoming holiday party on December 13th.

Some Information...

- ◆ Date: TUESDAY December 13th
- ◆ Place: **New Venue:** Two Brothers Roundhouse 205 N. Broadway Aurora, IL
- ◆ Doors open at 6PM
- ◆ Cost is \$25.00 per person (yes you can bring a plus one).
- ◆ **Cash bar is back!**
- ◆ 50/50 raffle
- ◆ Lottery and Money Trees.
- ◆ Entertainment: Base DJ's
- ◆ RESERVATION ONLY event. Must be paid upfront
- ◆ Dress: To be announced soon.

◆ While auction items are still being gathered here are a few of the items:

- ◆ Folding wood camping table.
- ◆ Children Bicycles (2)
- ◆ AI Generative Art

More to be announced as they arrive.

If you would like to attend you can sign up at the November meeting or by emailing Janice at: communications@cpaaa.net. You can also pay at the November Meeting by cash, check, money order or by debit/credit card. You can also pay online by requesting an invoice be sent to you.

Please join us and make this the best Annual Holiday Party. We don't want you to miss out so make your reservation today.



2023 Membership Renewal...

It's that time again, annual membership fees are now due and payments are now being accepted. Invoices for membership fees have been sent. If you did not receive one please email Janice at: communications@cpaaa.net

2023 fees remain at \$20.00 and are due by the end of January. You can pay online, at the meetings or by mailing a check or money order. Mail your payment directly to Amy Dermott at the address listed below.

PLEASE DO NOT drop off or mail any payments to the APD.

Amy Dermott (CPAAA)
2379 Avalon Court
Aurora, IL 60503

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CPAAA STREET OUTREACH DONATION DRIVE...

At our October meeting one of our guest speakers was Lyndsay Hartman from the AID Street Outreach program. We learned how the program is helping individuals who are homeless for one reason or another. The goal of this program is to reduce inappropriate use of emergency services and support individuals with mental health needs.

There was a lot of interest in what we as an organization can do to help. As we all know the temperatures are dropping and there is a high demand for basic warm essentials. As part of our community outreach, CPAAA will be accepting donations on behalf of the program. Following is the date, times and location.

Dates: **Monday November 14th – Friday November 18th**

Time: **9:00 am – 4:30 pm** (there will also be an evening drop off time yet to be confirmed)

Drop off location:

- ◆ **Belles Terres Condominium Office/Clubhouse located at 1080 N. Farnsworth, just around the corner from the APD between Indian Trail and Sheffer Road**

Items that are needed and will be accepted.

(Note: clothing items, blankets and sleeping bags can be donated as long as they are clean)

- ◆ **Sleeping Bags**
- ◆ **Blankets**
- ◆ **Hand warmers**
- ◆ **Hoodies**
- ◆ **Long Sleeve Shirts**
- ◆ **Gift cards – big box stores or Ace Hardware**
- ◆ **Monetary Donations**

If you have any questions please contact Janice Lindley at: communications@cpaaa.net

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.

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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	DONE
CPA Spring Practicals	Traffic Stops—4/28 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.	DONE
CPA Spring Graduation	6/2	Members help serve pizza at graduation & encourage graduates to join our organization	DONE
NCPAA Conference	CANCELLED TILL 2023	CPAAA pays registration for two Board members, one at large member as well as two Officers	
Police Week			DONE
Breakfast with Champions (formerly Cop on Top)		Members help officers collect donations for Special Olympics at various Dunkin Donut locations	DONE
Police Week Memorial	5/10	Mooseheart—Members assist where needed at memorial service.	DONE
SRT Training	5/11 & 7/13		DONE
Feed My Starving Children	5/18		DONE
Memorial Day Parade	5/30	Members help assist in traffic control	DONE
CPAAA Fundraising BBQ	CANCELLED		
Summer Gala	June 9	1 E. Benton Bottom Floor—start 6:00 pm	DONE
4th of July Parade/Fireworks	July 4	Members assist in traffic control.	DONE
APPO Golf Outing	July 14	Members sell closest to the hole chances and assist with the outing, also teams of four will be formed	DONE
RiverEdge	Various dates	Members assist RiverEdge Park employees with entrance gate staffing at various functions	DONE
Faith in Blue	October 8, 2022	Members help as needed.	DONE
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.	DONE
CPA Fall Graduation	Spanish Class #1 10/25 Class #52—10/27	Members help serve pizza at graduation and encourage graduates to join our organization	DONE
Winter Lights Celebration	11/18		
General Member Meetings		Tuesday, November 8th—7:00 pm	
Annual Holiday Party	December 13th	Two Brothers Roundhouse	
APD Tree Setup & Takedown		APD Tree Setup December 4, 2022; APD Tree Take Down January 7, 2023	

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CPA Spring Graduation—Spanish		Members help serve pizza at graduation & encourage graduates to join our organization	
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