Prince George County
Police Department News
“In Partnership With The Community”

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July 2017– Employee of the Month

Please join us in congratulating Officer Kelly Borshch as PGPD's July, 2017 "Employee of the Month."

Officer Borshch is a very professional, proactive, hard working police officer. She is a leader as it relates to criminal and traffic enforcement.

Thank you Kelly for all of your efforts towards keeping our community a safe place for all to enjoy.

-Chief Keith Early

New School Resource Officer

Chief Keith Early is pleased to announce that Officer Jones has been named as the new N.B. Clements School Resource Officer.

Officer Jones a four (4) year veteran of the Police force will be serving as a liaison between students, faculty members and administrators. Perhaps more importantly, Jones also is looking forward to being a friend and a mentor to students.

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Another Successful National Night Out...

On behalf of the Prince George Police Department, we want to express our profound thanks to those who participated in National Night Out on August 1.

The show of support to promote awareness, safety, and neighborhood unity was present throughout the night, along with the importance of police-community relationships and citizen involvement to help build a safer nation.

We enjoyed the participation from thirty-two sites throughout the County. We estimated this year’s attendance at 2,250 compared to 2,122 last year. To the many individuals, businesses, community and church groups, law enforcement agencies, thank you for your show of support. You helped make the night a success.

The spirit of neighborhood and partnership was quite evident throughout the evening. This is what makes Prince George a special place to live, work, and raise a family.

Again, thank you to everyone who made this night special it was very much appreciated.
#WANTEDWEDNESDAY
Each and every Wednesday, the Prince George Police will feature people who have outstanding warrants. It is our hope, that you will help us catch these individuals so that justice can be served. Please do not approach anyone who appears on Wanted Wednesday. If you have information about anyone who appears on Wanted Wednesday please contact police at (804) 733-2770.

You may also contact us at:
Hopewell/Prince George Crime solvers: (804) 733-2777
Text "igotcha" and your tip to 274637
All tips will remain anonymous Crime Stoppers


SCAMS...SCAMS...AND (you guessed it) MORE SCAMS

One of the things we encounter on an almost daily basis are people with questions about scams or stories about being scammed.

It is almost impossible to keep up with the number of scams occurring on any given day (we attached a link to Better Business Bureau Scam Information and Resources for you to look at). The people behind the scams now utilize text messaging, emails, phone calls and the mail. It almost makes you leery of answering the phone, checking your mailbox or opening an e-mail.

A simple search of the word "SCAM" will yield thousands of results. Many of the results you may receive from a search will provide good information on the different scams you may encounter. Start with the sources you can expect accurate information from (Better Business Bureau (BBB), FBI, IRS, Federal Trade Commission, Law enforcement agencies).

Keep several things in mind about scams:
1. You don't get something for nothing.
2. If it sounds too good to be true, it is.
3. Most people who want your information, don't need it.
4. It won't hurt you to not answer, hang up, delete or tear up the source of the scam.
5. If someone threatens you, call your local law enforcement agency.

Lastly, share this with people you know who may be ill, elderly or short of money. The people operating scams seem to have a knack for finding those individuals.
Be smart. Be safe!
http://www.bbb.org/scamtips
Back to School is right around the corner...

School supply lists include plenty of items that will help set students up for success. Pencils, papers, notebooks and calculators are important, but some of the most useful back to school supplies does not go in a backpack. Going back to school means many students will access the Internet both at school and at home. Teachers, parents, and other adults can provide students the following online safety tips....

- **Do not share personal information.** Keep personal information about yourself private. This includes information about your family members, your school, your telephone number, and your address.

- **Be careful what you write or upload.** Think twice before you post or say anything online. Once it is out in cyberspace, it is there forever. Do not post anything that you would not want your family, other students, teachers, or current and future employers to see!

- **Connect with care.** Do not click on links or open emails from people you do not know. Cyber criminals use emails and links that look okay to lure people into clicking. If you think an offer is too good to be true, it probably is.

- **Use strong passwords.** Try not to use the same password for multiple sites. Make passwords strong and change them often.

- **Keep your belongings safe.** Lock your computer and mobile phone.

- **Be a good online citizen.** Understand that what you do online is the same as what you do in person. Be careful what you post or say about others.

- **Speak up!** If you see something bad or inappropriate online, are contacted by someone you do not know or do not want to talk to, or see cyber-bullying take place, do not try to retaliate or get involved. Talk to a trusted adult and work together on how to solve the problem.

**Friendly Reminder:**
Our focus is school zone safety, and yours should be too. Be mindful of your speed in school zones and be aware of your surroundings near bus stops and crosswalks.
CALENDAR OF EVENTS

PRINCE GEORGE COMMUNITY POLICE ACADEMY
Prince George County Police Department, 6600 Courthouse Road, Prince George, VA
SEPTEMBER 5 – NOVEMBER 17, 2017

PET ADOPTION EVENT
Boulevard Flowers, 2100 Ruffin Mill Road, S. S. Chesterfield, VA
SEPTEMBER 24, 2017 TIME: TBD

“COVER THE CRUISER”
Virginia State Fair, Meadow Event Park
SEPTEMBER 30, 2017 TIME: 4 P.M. – 10 P.M.

ANIMAL SERVICES & ADOPTION CENTER OPEN HOUSE
8391 County Drive, Disputanta, VA
OCTOBER 2017 DATE TBD
11 A.M. – 2 P.M.

SHRED DAY
FORT LEE CREDIT UNION, 4495 CROSSINGS BLVD., PRINCE GEORGE, VA
OCTOBER 7, 2017
9 A.M. – 12 P.M.

PRINCE GEORGE COUNTY POLICE DEPARTMENT OPEN HOUSE
6600 COURTHOUSE ROAD, PRINCE GEORGE, VA
OCTOBER 12, 2017
5 P.M. – 7:30 P.M.

PET ADOPTION EVENT
Pecan Festival, Richard Bland College
OCTOBER 28, 2017 TIME: TBD

WREATH LAYING CEREMONY
MERCHANTS HOPE CEMETERY AND SOUTH LAWN MEMORIAL PARK, PRINCE GEORGE, VA
DECEMBER 1, 2017
9 a.m. and 11 a.m.
End of Watch

"When a police officer is killed, it's not an agency that loses an officer, it's an entire nation."

- Chris Cosgriff, ODMP Founder

Lieutenant H. Jay Cullen, III
(1969 – 2017)

Trooper-Pilot Berke M.M. Bates
(1976 – 2017)
Message from the Chief…

I continue to be extremely proud of the dedication, professionalism and hard work from the men and women of the Prince George Police Department; what a great team we have serving our County! All of your police employees, sworn and civilian, have a challenging, often stressful, job. Our mission of protecting and improving the quality of life in Prince George cannot be effectively accomplished without the community support we cherish and enjoy.

As the summertime wanes, we look forward to transitioning to fall and all of the associated activities and challenges ahead. I hope you enjoyed this edition of our Newsletter!

W. Keith Early, Chief of Police

We’re on the WEB!
www.princegeorgecountyva.gov

Mission Statement
The Prince George County Police Department, in partnership with the community, will strive to protect and improve the quality of life in Prince George; providing Leadership through Open Communication, Fair and Dignified Service, and Interactive Problem Solving.

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