We are proud to announce Officer Alexis Grochmal as our December 2019 Employee of the Month. As we are all aware, our Department encompasses Police, Emergency Communications and Animal Services. There are many moving parts behind the scenes that require attention to keep our organization operating effectively and efficiently.

Officer Grochmal is a talented, dedicated, get-it-done employee who migrates to where our challenges are. She has been instrumental in providing technical support to Chad Bosserman, our new Emergency Communications Manager; their teamwork has been pretty amazing. She has provided tremendous support to our County IT Department as it relates to our Police Department’s technology projects, troubleshooting, etc. Alexis continues to provide support to our property and evidence processes and policy revisions and updates. Additionally, she manages our accreditation process and she is our public information officer and social media manager. Whereas many of us share responsibilities, Alexis certainly displays a diverse skillset; she is a talented, professional, team-player.

Please join me with congratulating and appreciating Officer Alexis Grochmal for all of her contributions to our Department and the subsequent services we are able to provide for our community.
PGECC Welcomes a New Communications Officer

The Prince George Police Department is happy to announce the hiring of Natalie Garbarino as one of our department’s newest Communications Officers. Garbarino has started the training process, which will prepare her to handle the tens of thousands of calls that come into the Prince George Emergency Communications Center annually.

We welcome Natalie Garbarino into the Prince George Police Department Family and look forward to watching her serve the community as a 9-1-1 Communications Officer.

Text-to-911 Service Now Available

Effective immediately, the Prince George County Emergency Communication Center can receive and answer Text-to-911 calls during an emergency. Text-to-911 service will be available for those individuals who cannot safely make a voice call to 911 during an emergency. Text-to-911 will be available with plans from Verizon Wireless, AT&T, Sprint, and T-Mobile.

Some situations when Text-to-911 is appropriate are:
• Deaf, hard of hearing callers, or individuals with a speech disability.
• A caller who is unable to speak due to a medical or other condition.
• Emergencies that would put a caller in danger if making a voice call.

Text-to-911 can be done by typing “911” in the field for a phone number and pressing the send button. Texting should be done through your wireless phone’s text messaging service and not through a third-party texting application. Text-to-911 requires an active wireless phone service plan with data.

When using the service, please provide your exact location and type of emergency. Messages should use plain language without the use of abbreviations or symbols. Also, be prepared to answer any follow-up questions from our 911 Communication Officers.

As a reminder, the best way to contact 911 is by making a voice call. Please only use this service in emergencies where a voice call is not possible or safe.
Fundraiser – Prince George County Animal Adoption Center

Help support all our adorable fur-babies here at the Prince George County Animal Adoption Center!

Our staff at the adoption center put their creative minds together and came up with a design that reflects our mission here at Prince George County Animal Services: to provide the animal population in our county with comfort and compassion. In order to continue to fulfill our mission, we rely on our community’s support. Through this fundraiser, we hope to raise awareness on the importance of supporting municipal shelters like us, who work tirelessly to ensure each pet receives proper medical care and enrichment within confined means. Your purchase of one of our shirts will go directly towards our animals most in need.

Click the link below for further information:
https://www.customink.com/fundraising/pganimals?fbclid=IwAR0YgQOm_hLII7MITgkoldzceS1jZxrl9SXXdD9FUCRDm5JAAvscDBJ

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Polar Plunge Update as of 1/31/20: The Prince George County COPSicles are holding strong in 32nd place with just over $4,200 dollars in donations raised for Special Olympics. There are only 8 days left before the Plunge and 19 brave souls hit the icy waters of the Atlantic Ocean. We as a team have been working hard to reach our goals and could really use your help...

We hope that you will make a donation to this terrific cause!!! I have attached the “Prince George County COPSicles” team donation site as well as my personal donation site to this email as a way to assist you with the donation process. Once on the site, then you can choose who from the team you wish to contribute or you can just contribute to the team...

Thank You in advance for your support and remember we will be freezing for a reason...

Click link below for donation site:
https://impact.specialolympicsva.org/team/267098
Officer Moreno started the 10-week D.A.R.E. Program at L.L. Beazley Elementary on January 13th. The 5th grade students were introduced to the program, identified some of the responsibilities in their daily lives and learned the steps in the D.A.R.E. Decision Making Model. #beSAFE #beRESPONSIBLE #DARE #keepinitREAL #ROAR
Stay Tuned for our Monthly Adoptable Spotlight!

Each month we will spotlight an adorable adoptable pet. Meet our January spotlight – Pennyloafer!

This beauty pictured here is Pennyloafer. She has been in our care for almost a year with little to no interest, which saddens all of us who know and love her. She is a total sweetheart, but she prefers to be the only pet in the home. She just wants all the loving to herself.

If you think she’s the right fit for you, then please come meet her! If not, that’s okay. We have plenty of other adoptable animals that would love to meet you!

All of our pets are currently listed on our Petfinder page: https://www.petfinder.com/member/us/va/prince-george/prince-george-county-va192/?fbclid=IwAR3RR3J2OdrUe8R1Ccey926LruuyR0ji5rrV5fQ1XksiSWtYJWAbUuo.

Our Petfinder page is also easily accessible through the tab labeled “Adoptable Pets” on our Facebook page. We are still working on getting pictures and bios written for many of our animals, but we are more than happy to answer any questions you may have about them. Please feel free to contact the Prince George County Animal Services and Adoption Center at 804-991-3200.
UPCOMING EVENTS

FEBRUARY 2020
SPECIAL OLYMPICS POLAR PLUNGE – JOIN THE TEAM OR DONATE – CLICK LINK BELOW!
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FEBRUARY 8, 2020
HTTPS://IMPACT.SPECIALOLYMPICSAVA.ORG/TEAM/267098

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PLEASE BE AWARE OF THE MANY DIFFERENT SCAM CALLS REGARDING MONIES TO AVOID ARREST & SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION ABUSE OF SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER…JUST HANG UP THE PHONE…AND NOTIFY YOUR LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY.