January 2020

We are proud to announce Officer Anthony Martin as our January, 2020 Employee of the Month.

Both internally and externally, we expect a lot from our police officers. Anthony has consistently demonstrated proactive enforcement efforts, teamwork and a genuine desire to help his community. From a crime prevention and community safety perspective, Officer Martin understands the importance of enforcing both criminal and traffic laws; he equally understands problem solving, professionalism and compassion.

It is a true honor to receive accolades from your peers. We know Anthony is both humbled and honored to have garnered praise from such a fine group of men and women he has working alongside of him.

Officer Martin is working hard to help keep PG a great community to live, work and visit. Please join me with recognizing and appreciating Officer Martin for all of his contributions.

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Update
SPECIAL OLYMPICS

On February 8th, members of the Prince George Police and Sheriff's Department, Team COPSicles, plunged into the Virginia Beach waters for the annual Special Olympics Virginia Beach Polar Plunge. The Prince George Police Department has participated in this event for more than ten years. The COPSicles exceeded the goal of $8,000 and raised $11,000 for the event. The total money raised this year through the Virginia Beach Polar Plunge was 1.256 million dollars for Special Olympics Virginia. Thank you to everyone who donated to our team. #PGPDPROUD
WE'RE HIRING EMERGENCY COMMUNICATION OFFICERS!

Want a career that makes a difference? Do you possess strong customer service skills, a calm disposition, and advanced multi-tasking skills in order to listen, talk, read, and type simultaneously with accuracy? A career in 9-1-1 Emergency Communications may be for you!

As a 9-1-1 Emergency Communications Officer, you get to help people through the worst day of their life.

Salary starts at $39,082 a year (18.79 an hour) with career development and comprehensive healthcare coverage. The closing date to apply is March 17, 2020.

If you, or anyone you know, would be a good fit for our team, visit:
https://www.governmentjobs.com/careers/princegeorgeva/jobs/2727255/communications-officer?pagetype=jobOpportunitiesJobs&fbclid=IwAR1a8SQofcFsfVRyCXBOdnsfG8iEjPCclBnVrovAPKhubRQ1B7QwZ

Notice from VDOT:
Weather permitting, the Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) will close Lone Oak Mill Road (Route 658) between Pole Run Road and Lebanon Road in Prince George County for bridge repairs on the structure over Wards Creek beginning Monday, March 2. The project will take about eight weeks to complete.

During work, drivers should follow the posted detour route:

- Lone Oak Mill Road (Route 658) westbound – Take Lone Oak Mill Road to Pole Run Road (Rt. 616) to Cedar Lane (Rt. 612) to Lebanon Road (Rt. 611) back to Lone Oak Mill Road.
- Lone Oak Mill Road (Route 658) eastbound – Take Lone Oak Mill Road to Lebanon Road to Cedar Lane to Pole Run Road and back to Lone Oak Mill Road.

Drivers should plan accordingly and allow extra travel time while work is taking place.

Anyone with questions about the project can call VDOT’s customer service center at 800-FOR-ROAD (800-367-7623).

For the latest real-time traffic information or road conditions, call 511 or visit http://www.511virginia.org.
Meet our February spotlight – Bishop!

Animal Control Officers Santilli and Newmeyer treated our charming boy, Bishop, to a much-needed bath and took him out on a date for some chicken nuggies! Be sure to watch Bishop's day out video: https://www.facebook.com/pganimals/videos/2247194732046622/

Bishop has been in our care since October of last year. He was picked up as a stray and never reclaimed, so he has been looking for his forever home ever since. We estimate his age to be around 4 years. He’s full of spunk, but once he gets his ya-ya’s out, all he wants to do is be loved on and spend time with his friends. He also loves to go on car rides and explore new surroundings!

He would make an absolute gem of a companion. Please come adopt this big baby!

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=IwAR3RR32OdRsMPe8R1CcepEzeB6LruuyR0ji5rrV5fQ1XblSrurYWAhUu

If you think he’s the right fit for you, then please come meet him! 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. Our Petfinder page is 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.

UPCOMING EVENTS

MARCH
SHRED DAY & FOOD DRIVE
FT. LEE CREDIT UNION
4495 CROSSINGS BLVD., PRINCE GEORGE, VA
MARCH 14, 2020
9:00 A.M. – 12:00 P.M.

CRATER CRIMINAL JUSTICE TRAINING ACADEMY
94TH BASIC LAW ENFORCEMENT GRADUATION
GOOD SHEPHERD BAPTIST CHURCH
2223 S. CRATER RD., PETERSBURG, VA
MARCH 26, 2020
7:00 P.M.
TODDLER FAIR  
SCOTT PARK/PRINCE GEORGE LIBRARY  
MARCH 28, 2020  
9:00 A.M. – 1:00 P.M.

SPECIAL OLYMPICS LITTLE & BIG FEET MEET  
PRINCE GEORGE HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL FIELD  
MARCH 31, 2020  
10:30 A.M. – 2 P.M.

APRIL  
NATIONAL PUBLIC SAFETY TELECOMMUNICATIONS WEEK  
APRIL 12 – 18, 2020

NATIONAL ANIMAL CARE AND CONTROL APPRECIATION WEEK  
APRIL 12 – 18, 2020

PRINCE GEORGE CLEAN COMMUNITY DAY  
PRINCE GEORGE COUNTY POLICE DEPARTMENT SIDE PARKING LOT OR  
PRINCE GEORGE CONVENIENCE STATION  
APRIL 18, 2020  
TIME: 8:00 A.M. – 1:00 P.M.

DRUG TAKEBACK  
PRINCE GEORGE POLICE DEPARTMENT – SIDE LOT  
APRIL 25, 2020  
10:00 A.M. – 2:00 P.M.

MAY  
HOMETOWN HEROES 5K & LITTLE FEET MEET FUN RUN 1-MILER  
SCOTT PARK PAVILION  
SCOTT MEMORIAL PARK ROAD, PRINCE GEORGE  
MAY 2, 2019

TRI-CITY POLICE MEMORIAL BREAKFAST (INVITATION ONLY)  
GOOD SHEPHERD BAPTIST CHURCH  
MAY 7, 2020  
8:00 A.M. – 11:00 A.M.

NATIONAL POLICE WEEK  
MAY 10 – 16, 2020

FT. LEE SAFETY DAY  
FORT LEE PX  
DATE: MAY 20, 2020  
10:00 A.M. – 2 P.M.

TIP-A-COP FUNDRAISER  
NANNY’S RESTAURANT  
DATE: MAY 15, 2020  
5:00 P.M. – 9:00 P.M.
**JUNE**

**SPECIAL OLYMPIC TORCH RUN**
Courthouse Road (Walton Elementary to Beazley Elementary)
Date: June 11, 2020
9:00 A.M. – 11:00 A.M. (Runners meet by 8:30 A.M.)

**PRINCE GEORGE HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION**
PGHS Football Field
Date: June 13, 2020

**YOUTH PUBLIC SAFETY ACADEMY ORIENTATION**
Central Wellness Center
June 10, 2020
6:30 P.M. – 7:30 P.M.

**YOUTH PUBLIC SAFETY ACADEMY (APPLICATIONS DUE BY JUNE 1)**
Central Wellness Center, 11033 Prince George Dr., Disputanta, VA
June 15 – 26, 2020
8:00 A.M. – 5:00 P.M.

**AUGUST**

**NATIONAL NIGHT OUT**
County-Wide
August 4, 2020
5:00 PM – 9:00 PM

**OCTOBER**

**SHRED DAY & FOOD DRIVE**
Ft. Lee Credit Union
4495 Crossings Blvd., Prince George, VA
October 10, 2020
9:00 A.M. – 12:00 P.M.

**PRINCE GEORGE COUNTY ANIMAL SERVICES AND ADOPTION CENTER OPEN HOUSE**
8391 County Drive, Disputanta, VA
Date: TBA
11:00 A.M. – 2:00 P.M.

**PET ADOPTION EVENT**
Richard Bland Pecan Festival
October – TBA

**NOVEMBER**

**NO-SHAVE NOVEMBER**

**DECEMBER**

**WREATH LAYING CEREMONY (TWO EVENTS)**
Merchants Hope Cemetery and South Lawn Memorial Park, Prince George, VA
December 4, 2020
9:00 A.M. and 11:00 P.M.
PERSONAL FINANCE REPORTER GREG IACURCI EXPLAINS:

- Tax fraud, such as scams involving phone calls, phishing, identity theft and accountants, often picks up early in the tax season, according to the IRS.

- Phone scams, one of the most prevalent types, have cost victims more than $72 million since October 2013, according to the Treasury Inspector General for Tax Administration.

- The IRS generally reaches out to taxpayers via mail, not with an unsolicited phone call or e-mail.

TO LEARN MORE ON HOW TO PROTECT YOURSELF CLICK THE LINK BELOW:

HTTPS://WWW.CNBC.COM/2020/02/18/HOW-TO-PROTECT-YOURSELF-FROM-TAX-SCAMS-THIS-FILING-SEASON.HTML