



The CCPS All-Points Bulletin

Mission: To reduce crime, enhance public safety and assist victims throughout North Carolina.

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Message from the Secretary



The 12,000 citizen soldiers and airmen of the North Carolina National Guard have a new commander, Maj. Gen. Gregory Lusk. He was appointed Oct. 1 by Gov. Bev Perdue. We are proud to have this combat veteran serve as the state's adjutant general.

During his second deployment to Iraq, General Lusk was the commander of the 30th Heavy Brigade Combat Team, the state's largest National Guard unit with 4,000 soldiers. He and his troops responded admirably to their call to duty. Between the Tigris and the Euphrates rivers, he and his fellow guardsmen were residing with nearly 3 million Iraqi people. Their mission was to support Iraq's new government and their effort to make the lives of Iraqi people safe, secure and prosperous.

General Lusk will now oversee Guard operations that in addition to service overseas, provides North Carolinians with the necessary security and manpower during emergencies such as hurricanes, floods and major snowstorms. He is completely committed to our philosophy of working hard for the people of North Carolina.

General Lusk is a North Carolinian by birth, growing up in Swansboro, the son of a Marine Corps drill sergeant. He graduated from N.C. State University in civil engineering and has served with the N.C. National Guard since August 1979. General Lusk replaces William E. Ingram Jr., who served since July 2001.

During his time with the National Guard, General Lusk has received numerous awards including the Bronze Star with one Oak Leaf Cluster, Combat Action Badge, Meritorious Service Award with two Oak Leaf Clusters, Iraq Campaign Medal with two Campaign Stars, Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal and the N.C. National Guard Service Award with Gold Hornets Nest. In a ceremony at the State Capitol on Oct. 20,

two stars were pinned on General Lusk's uniform, promoting him from colonel to major general.

General Lusk has provided outstanding leadership for the men and women of the 30th Brigade and now we can look forward to his quality leadership as the state's new adjutant general. He is approachable, humble and a dedicated servant. I have full confidence that Maj. Gen. Lusk will serve this state with distinction. He is more than ready to step up and lead the state's National Guard.

Reuben Young



The Secretary's Gold Circle Award

For helping a victim of a diabetic attack, Tommy Bissette, a special agent with the Division of Alcohol Law Enforcement, received two awards in a ceremony on Oct. 11.

Crime Control and Public Safety Secretary Reuben Young presented Bissette with the Department's Commendation Award and the Secretary's Gold Circle Award.



On July 20, Bissette stopped at a convenience store and noticed an elderly man slumped over in his vehicle. He ran over to assist. Having a close family member who is diabetic, Bissette recognized the symptoms and ran into the store, got a bottle of orange juice and helped the gentleman. He became responsive and alert.

"Bisette is someone who has made the Department of Crime Control and Public Safety and the Division of Alcohol Law Enforcement very proud," ALE Director John Ledford said of Bisette's alertness and quick response.

Congratulations!



The following employees were promoted:

Emergency Management: **Gail Raynor** and **Douglas Remer**
State Highway Patrol: **Steven Hall** and **Maynard Parris**

The following employees celebrate significant service milestones in their state careers:

30 years

N.C. National Guard: **Teresa Barbour**

25 years

State Highway Patrol: **Hal Askins** and **Bobby Booth**

20 years

Administration: **Teresa Creech**
Emergency Management: **Julia Jarema**
N.C. National Guard: **Rex Williams**
State Highway Patrol: **Shane Cagle**



Comings and Goings



Welcome to our new employees:

Administration: **Brenda Darden**
Governor's Crime Commission: **Beth Chartrand**
N.C. National Guard: **Gabriel Boulware**, **Jeret Kinnaird**, **Gregory Lusk**,
George Nesbitt and **Brandon Pelkey**
State Highway Patrol: **Jerry Epps** and **William Stanback**

Best wishes to our recent retirees:

Alcohol Law Enforcement: **Milton Carlton**
State Highway Patrol: **Jonnie Corn**, **Theodore Harris** and **Charles McMahan**

CCPS Logo Apparel

It's time to order your Department of Crime Control and Public Safety embroidered logo apparel. We have added several new items this year! You can go to the CCPS website to view items and colors that are available here:

<http://www.nccrimecontrol.org/Index2.cfm?a=000002,001908>

An order form is attached to this email and can also be downloaded from the website. The deadline for orders is Friday, Nov. 12. We will send all orders in one batch and we hope to receive them by the end of November.

Please mail your order form and your check, payable to "CCPS Employee Appreciation Fund," to:

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American Indian Heritage Month

Honoring the Legacy of Our Warriors



Since the Revolutionary War, American Indians have played a vital role in our country's freedom and security. In recognition of that valor, Governor Bev Perdue has declared November *American Indian Heritage Month*.

North Carolina has the largest Indian population east of the Mississippi River with 100,000 American Indians. The state's eight tribes are the Coharie, the Eastern Band of Cherokee, the Haliwa Saponi, the Lumbee, the Meherrin, the Occaneechi Band of the Saponi, the Sappony and the Waccamaw Siouan. Fifty-six American Indians work for CCPS.

In her proclamation, Perdue states, "American Indian Warriors have fought bravely and continuously throughout history to protect their values, tradition and tribal communities and have persevered in a changing world. We honor these men and women from our tribal communities."

You are invited to attend the 15th Annual American Indian Heritage Celebration, Saturday, Nov. 20 from 11 a.m.–4 p.m. at the N.C. Museum of History, Raleigh. For more information, go to: <http://www.doa.state.nc.us/cia/>.

Employee Spotlight



State Highway Patrol Trooper **Kelvin Locklear** works in one of the largest geographic counties in the state and one of the most unique counties with its large American Indian population. Trooper Locklear, a Lumbee Indian himself, knows the rural roads of Robeson County having grown up in the little town of Pembroke.

On one typical morning, Locklear started his day at 6 a.m., stopping first to answer a call about a car in a ditch. Next, he issued two speeding tickets. At 9 a.m. he was dispatched to the scene of a one-car accident in the small town of Maxton. A car had hydroplaned, and the driver over-corrected, losing control of her car and hitting several trees. Before Locklear arrived on the scene, the 21-year-old driver was taken to the hospital. Locklear compiled the information at the scene he needed for an accident report, and then drove to the hospital to interview the driver about the accident. From there, he continued his patrol.

J. Kelvin Locklear

Locklear is assigned to the western section of Robeson County that has the highest number of calls for service and the highest number of accidents. As he travels the two-lane roads in and around Pembroke, Maxton, Red Springs, Lumber Bridge and Shannon, Locklear's radar is set at the speed limit. Any car passing him exceeding the posted speed limit will activate his radar with a beep and an illuminated red number that captures the speed.

A green Toyota Sequoia with a V8 engine passes going 70 miles per hour in a 55 mph zone. Locklear makes a U-turn, switches on his blue lights and apprehends the vehicle. He has stopped this driver once before and warned her to slow down, so this time she gets a ticket.

Like many State Highway Patrolmen, Locklear has a kindly demeanor when he stops speeders. He calls it verbal judo, a technique that he learned at the Highway Patrol Training Academy. For example, he doesn't say 'good morning' or 'good afternoon' because he says for anyone caught speeding it's probably not a good day for them. Instead, he will say 'morning sir' or 'evening mam.' He says the calm, respectful language one uses cuts back on verbal confrontation.

Locklear drives on, pointing out a home that had significant fire damage. He had seen the fire the night it occurred, pulled into the driveway with his blue lights flashing and the

owner of the home came out to see what was going on, having no idea that his house was on fire.

Locklear seems to be made for public service. In 2009, Locklear was given a Commendation Award for heroism by Crime Control and Public Safety Secretary Reuben Young for saving an elderly woman's life. Locklear was investigating an accident where it appeared that a car had been intentionally driven into a swampy roadside canal. Bloody clothes were in the front seat. Concerned when he could not find the driver, he drove to the owner's home, an elderly woman, but no one responded at the door. A neighbor helped Locklear enter the home and he found the woman unconscious on the floor. He provided basic first aid until an ambulance arrived.



"Kelvin's very thorough in wreck investigations," said Sgt. Daniel Hilburn of Troop B. "He has an outstanding work ethic. He also makes a great contribution to the Driving While Impaired program we have here."

Locklear was instrumental in preparing a Rapid Response Active Shooter package for the 50 schools and universities in the county so that troopers will have a plan of action if ever needed.

"Kelvin has an outstanding moral character in the community being a former pastor, and he is looked up to as a leader among our squad," Hilburn said. "He has a great personality and he gets along with all the (SHP) district members. He is somebody you can count on."

Born in Lumberton, Locklear was surrounded by a close-knit family with his two grandmothers preparing Sunday feasts such as chicken and pastry, butter beans, corn, corn bread and banana bread, chocolate cake or pound cake. He played baseball and other sports in his early years. Locklear graduated from West Robeson High School in 1987. His grandfather was the chief of police for the town of Pembroke, and wanting to follow in his footsteps, the 18-year-old Locklear began taking criminal justice classes from Robeson Community College and worked as a telecommunicator for the Pembroke Police Department.

At the age of 20, he married his high school sweetheart, Angela, who then was studying to be a registered nurse. At 21, he took the basic law enforcement training classes at the community college and became a police officer for the Pembroke PD for three years until he decided to become a state trooper. He spent 33 weeks at the Highway Patrol Training Academy in Raleigh, was sworn in as a trooper in 1997, and took his first assignment in Fayetteville.

Locklear was loving his time with the Highway Patrol when he felt a clear sense of God's presence and a strong call to ministry. He struggled with the decision to leave the Patrol, but its changing rotation schedule prevented him from attending Bible school. Locklear instead became a school resource officer for the Robeson County Sheriff's Department which gave him the ability to attend Carolina Bible School in Fayetteville. Upon graduation, Locklear became a full-time pastor for the 300-member congregation of Whitehill Freewill Baptist Church in Robeson County.

After several years at the helm of the church, Locklear began missing the State Highway Patrol and decided to return. "I struggled with that decision, too," Locklear said. "I had 95 per cent support in the church, but I missed the camaraderie, the structure, the discipline and the highway patrol job itself. I really enjoyed it."

In 2004, Locklear again took the 33 weeks of Highway Patrol training and was reinstated.



Locklear continues to preach and speak at different churches in what he calls an expository preaching series where he expounds on Bible verses.

In addition to his Sunday talks, Locklear trains twice a week in mixed martial arts, in ground fighting and kick boxing. "I know that doesn't go with ministry work, but I actually like the sport," Locklear said.

Locklear also likes to work out at the gym, play golf and spend time with his wife and two daughters, 18 year-old Kyla who is in her second year of nursing school and who is reportedly a great cook, and 12-year-old Torre who absolutely loves babies according to her dad. In addition, Locklear has coached his girls' softball teams.

Locklear says he sees the Lumbee Indians as hardworking, proud of their heritage and living in a tight-knit community where neighbors help each other and everybody knows each other.

Locklear himself knows many of the people he stops. He says if questioned, he can say, "At church I save your soul, out here, I'm saving your life."

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