



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

Any law enforcement officer, first responder or emergency management official can tell you that the first rule in wisely handling any crisis is to 'stay calm and don't panic.' Many of our employees know that already since they respond to everything from traffic accidents to natural disasters on a regular basis. But that sage advice is just as applicable when dealing with an economic downturn or gas shortage.



The events of the past two weeks serve as a solemn reminder that, now perhaps more than ever, we all need to remain calm. From spending habits to driving habits, it just makes sense to examine areas in which we can conserve.

For several months now, our fiscal unit has been working with the divisions to cut costs and trim budgets where possible. With 1,800 troopers and 117 ALE agents, fuel costs are a major component of our department's budget. So, as fuel costs continue to rise and budgets remain tight, we need to continue to look for additional ways to trim costs.

In the past two weeks we've heard news reports and personal accounts about gas shortages in the Charlotte area and western part of the state. We've heard Governor Easley instruct state agencies to cut their budgets by two percent in preparation for economic uncertainty. And we've watched and listened to the upheaval in the stock market and financial industry.

While there is no denying that we are dealing with one of the most turbulent financial times in recent history, there also is no doubt that we will meet these challenges as we have others before.

Earlier this year, we learned just how careful we could be as we saved water to get us through the worst drought in recent memory. And we found that thinking ahead and taking little actions could make a big difference. That's still good advice.

I'm confident that working together we will continue to meet our current financial challenges, and weather any type of storm that comes our way.

Bryan Beatty

The Secretary's Gold Circle Award



Troop C troopers Beckley Vaughan, Sean Bridges, Chasity Davis, Gary Hammonds and Jonathan Taylor received the Secretary's Gold Circle Award and the Department's Meritorious Service Award in a ceremony on Sept. 22.

The five troopers were recognized for their undercover investigation of illegal street racing that resulted in the discovery of a stolen parts ring and the apprehension of several racers. On June 22nd, Troopers Vaughan, Davis, Hammonds, Taylor and Bridges obtained arrest warrants against 14 people, issued 50 charges and confiscated ten vehicles.

The troopers received the Department's Meritorious Service Award for their devotion to duty and professionalism. The Meritorious Award is given when troopers go above and beyond their normal duties.



Congratulations!



The following employees were promoted:

State Highway Patrol: **Travis Baity, William Belch, Kimberley Brown, Jerry Cameron, R. Everett Clendenin, Joseph Cotton, Bobby Culler, Tony Gibson, William Glover, Craig Harris, Jennifer Harris, Ricky Hedgepeth, Jeffery Holmes, Michael James, Michael Leggette, Eddie Lemons, Shane Manuel, David McCoy, William Moore, William Nichols, Stephan Pace, Christopher Phillips, Brian Regan, Rodney Sawyer, Timothy Sinclair, Charles Slemenda, Brett Snoterly, Kelly Sturgill, Herbert Tucker, Michael Whaley, Everett Workman**

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

30 years

Alcohol Law Enforcement: **Gloria Blount**

Governor's Crime Commission: **Pam Oen**

State Highway Patrol: **Catherine Ewell, Laurinda Kindley, Gary Simpson, Vicky Smith, Dawn Williams**

25 years

State Highway Patrol: **Kyle Barber, Bryon Beddingfield, Jeffrey Brown, Michael Davis, Kathleen Hopkins, Thomas Jones, William Nichols, Carl Posey, Jr., J.S. Register, Rhonda Turner**

20 years

Emergency Management: **Joseph Gee**



Comings and Goings



Welcome to our new employees:

Administration: Charles Meymandi, Marsha Overby, LouAnn Serraneau, Benjamin Taylor

Alcohol Law Enforcement: Bridget Smith

Emergency Management: Robin Brown, Nicole Wickenhofer

Governors Crime Commission: Sherra Merchant

NC National Guard: Gregory Crisp, Ricky Harris

State Highway Patrol: Mark Broadway, Thomas Herman, Raymond Reeve, Guy Taylor

Best wishes to our recent retirees:

Butner Public Safety: **Jane Hilton**

Governors Crime Commission: **Pamela Oen**

State Highway Patrol: **Vivian Blalock, Michael Dunn, Timothy Jackson, Terry Story**

In Memorium

State Highway Patrol: **Andrew Stocks**

Butner Public Safety: **Mark Waymer**

North Carolina's Disaster Relief for Hurricane Gustav, Ike



North Carolina Mobile kitchen setup in Old Kmart parking lot, Baytown, Texas

Hurricane Gustav:

NC Baptist Men, in cooperation with the Salvation Army, established a mass feeding operation in the city of Houma, La., on Sept. 4, and prepared hot meals for seven days before hunkering down for Hurricane Ike. In this one week, they produced 117,190 hot meals. The Laundry ministry has washed more than 41 loads of clothing for participants. Baptists provided 761 volunteer days while serving in Houma.

Team lead is Gaylon Moss, Disaster Relief Director, Volunteerism Coordinator NC Baptist Men. P.O. Box 1107, Cary, NC 27512.

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Hurricane Ike:

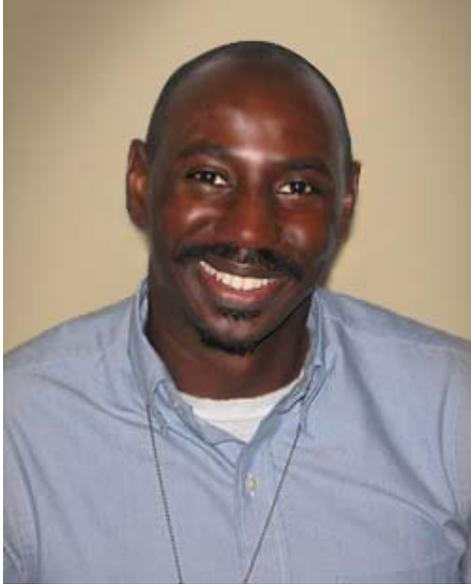
NC Baptist Men, in cooperation with the American Red Cross, moved three mobile kitchens to Baytown, Texas, to help those affected by Hurricane Ike. From Sept. 16 to 30, more than 536,000 hot meals were prepared with 3,919 volunteer days. Mobile shower units provided 5,090 hot showers, while more than 1,200 loads of laundry were washed through the laundry unit.

This note was sent to the North Carolina Disaster Relief Leadership (serving about 40,000 meals a day) following Hurricane Ivan:

I live in Baytown, Texas where you set up your mobile kitchens after Hurricane Ike. I was able to take advantage of your generosity. In the middle of such devastation, there you were with a hot meal, a smiling face and a kind word. There are no words that can express my gratitude, but from the bottom of my heart I thank you so much. I pray for all of the volunteers daily. Please pass along my thanks to all that were involved. May God bless you greatly. D. G.

Employee Spotlight

Steve Davis



Steve Davis is the infrastructure manager for the Division of Emergency Management. During hurricanes or other disasters, Davis is the point man for the utility companies. During normal hours he develops analytical tools for infrastructure interdependence.

The day Hurricane Ike was about to hit Texas, Davis was checking on the state's gas supply. Davis said the panic that was setting in about higher gas prices was reducing the overall supply and making it harder for the smaller businesses to purchase gasoline. He spent most of the day monitoring the supply in the state and the condition of the infrastructure in Texas and Louisiana and gave periodic status reports to senior staff.

"I don't think drilling is the answer, I think conservation is the answer," Davis said. "But that's just Steve."

Davis was born in Houston, Texas, and graduated from Ross S. Sterling Senior High School in 1981. He attended the University of St. Thomas in Houston, but decided he wanted to move further away from home. He wanted to go to an historically black school and was accepted at Johnson C. Smith University in Charlotte. He got his undergraduate degree there, with a triple major – history, political science and social studies. When he graduated in 1988, he thought he wanted a career in higher education, so he took a Residence Life position at the university for two years. Next, he went to NC State University and earned his master's degree in Political Science and Public Administration. Again, he worked in Residence Life which he said paid for his schooling.

In 1999, following Hurricane Floyd, Davis saw Eric Tolbert, the Emergency Management director at that time, on television saying the division needed energetic, good people to work. He was hired in the Hazard Mitigation section. His first assignment was ensuring that the 150 to 200 homeowners who were applying for the Hazard Mitigation program were in fact eligible. After about seven or eight months, Davis applied for and became the Division of Emergency Management's Infrastructure Manager.

"The job at first was strictly operations. After 9/11, the whole tenure of infrastructure changed," Davis said. "People saw how important communications and power lines were and how much we depend on them for our daily life. When we look at power and

water and what it does for us we see why we can't be without it, and that if one goes down, it affects the other."

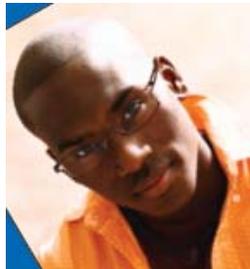
Davis said North Carolina is a little bit ahead of the curve at getting a handle on critical infrastructure, and that the hazard analysis tools and intelligence tools that the Geospatial Technology Management section is developing will help examine how water systems are effected by power systems and how they effect every day life. Working with a spatial analysis component, Davis will be able to adequately display the consequences of infrastructure disruptions so that decision makers can clearly see the problems and know what to do.

Davis said he is a progressive at heart. In his free time, he is involved with Amnesty International and the Fellowship of Reconciliation. An avid reader, Davis' favorite book is *Invisible Man*, by Ralph Waldo Ellison, a story about a black man coming to terms with himself. He also loves science fiction and has a copy of every episode of the TV series, *Deep Space Nine*. Davis goes to the gym four times a week, saying he doesn't participate in organized sports other than being a big fan of the Dallas Cowboys.

Davis has seven siblings in Texas and he travels there several times a year to see them and his parents.

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Eyeglasses



Correction Enterprises is selling prescription eyeglasses at a reduced price to state employees.

Optician Karen Hobbs can answer questions that about cost and availability. State employees can try on eyeglass frames at the Correction Enterprise headquarters before making an order.

Call Angi to schedule an appointment, 919-716-3605. Correction Enterprises is located on 2020 Yonkers Road, Raleigh.

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