



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



Fall begins the season of giving, starting with the State Employees Combined Campaign. For all of you who have donated or intend to donate, thank you for your thoughtful contribution. Your generosity will reach those in need at a time when many are struggling with financial difficulties. For those of us who are fully employed, there is no better year than this one to lend a hand to your favorite charities.

In addition to the State Employees Combined Campaign, these same non-profit agencies listed in the SECC booklet could use your volunteer help. Their need extends year-round. Remember that each state employee may take up to 24 hours each year to perform community service work.

(Look for more information on community leave on our Web site in the employees section under leave).

Again, thank you for your participation in this annual campaign of giving. "Together we make the difference."

Reuben Young

Governor's Crime Commission's Combined Campaign Effort



In a short time, our staff has shown a tremendous commitment to supporting the State Employee's Combined Campaign. We've raised more than \$3,000 in one week and we anticipate additional contributions being made. In an effort to increase the level of participation this year, we will be sponsoring two staff lunches and providing employees with the opportunity to win gift certificates.

Cheryl Bryant, Grants Manager
Governor's Crime Commission



Congratulations!

The following employees were promoted:

State Highway Patrol:

Jeffrey Babb	Ricky Hooks	Dedric Robinson
Gary Bell	Eric Jackson	Terry Robinson
Troy Butler	Brian Johnson	Eric Schaberg
Donald Christiansen	Charles Joyner	Bryan Smith
David Clifton	Ricky King	Gary Smith
Kenneth Cooke	Kenneth Kubas	Kenneth Snead
Andreas Dietrich	Willie Long	Patrick Staggs
Albert Eastwood	Gary McClelland	Wayne Taylor
Hugh Feinberg	Shannon McLaughlin	Charles Winters
Edwin Forbes	Joseph Memory	Curtis Toler
Talmadge Frye	Tony Miller	William Vickers
Benjamin Gates	Victor Misenheimer	Robert West
Charles Gould	Kenneth Moore	Matthew Wike
Alex Greyard	Charles Nance	Jeffrey Williams
William Grey	Tyre Needham	Billy Wilson
Daniel Hilburn	Paul Phillips	James Wingo
Brent Hipp	Troy Pope	
Eric Hoffman	Anthony Richardson	



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

60 years

State Highway Patrol: **Peggy Carson**

30 years

State Highway Patrol: Major **Michael James**

25 years

State Highway Patrol: Sgt. **Tony McNair**, Troopers **Daryl Barber**, **Steven Myers** and **Dick Wooten**

Governor's Crime Commission: **Arie Davis**, **Vickie Durham**

Butner Public Safety: **Ronald Briggs**

20 years

State Highway Patrol: Sgt. **Kevin Owens**, Troopers **Adrian Bowen** and **William Harrison**

Comings and Goings



Welcome to our new employees:

Butner Public Safety: **Chadwick Massey**

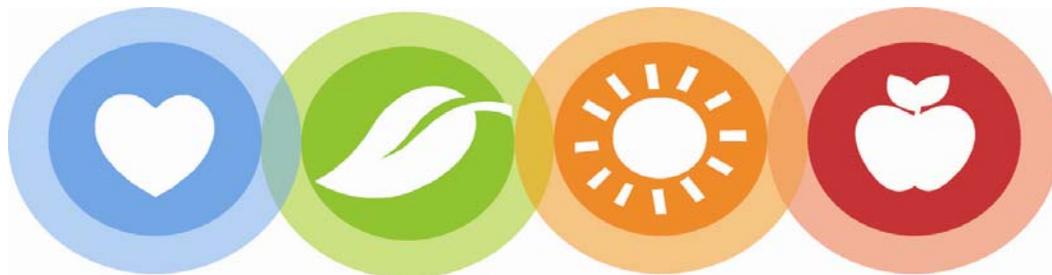
Emergency Management: **Evelyn Costello**

State Highway Patrol: **Marty Bumgarner, Gary Hendricks and Tanya Wilson**

Best wishes to our recent retirees:

Alcohol Law Enforcement: **Robert Branch**

State Highway Patrol: **Jeffery Thompson, Richard Lawson, James Brower Jr., Peggy Carson and Michael James.**



STATE EMPLOYEES OF NORTH CAROLINA 2009 wellness expo living well, inside & out

The State Employees 2009 Wellness Expo is Wednesday, Nov. 18 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the N.C. State Fairgrounds (Jim Graham Building) in Raleigh.

The expo is targeted to employees and retirees in the Triangle area. Parking is free at the Fairgrounds. Please consider carpooling or other types of transportation. Time allowed for this event is two hours with reasonable travel time allowed. Employees must coordinate with their supervisor to attend. Employees are encouraged to take advantage of this opportunity.

If you have any questions about the Wellness Expo, contact Mike Chapman, who is coordinating the event. Chapman can be reached at (919) 807-4824 or mike.chapman@osp.nc.gov.

Sixty Years with the State Highway Patrol *Peggy Carson Retires September 30*

The State Highway Patrol was not Peggy Carson's first job when she graduated from Greenville High School in 1949. She took a job with Commercial Credit Corp. first, then started with Troop A, Greenville on Sept. 29, 1949.

When asked how the patrol has changed over the years, Carson said that the technology had changed a lot, but the goal was the same for the troopers – to ensure safe, efficient transportation on the streets and highways, to enforce the traffic laws, help stranded motorists, and assist with natural and manmade disasters.



Carson said she has looked forward to going to work every day. For 29 of those years she worked with a fellow classmate at Greenville High School until she retired. At one point, Carson thought about retiring, but with no family members left, the Patrol was her family.

“It got me out of the house, got me around people and kept my mind active, so as long as I was able to contribute to my job and still enjoyed working, I decided to stay,” Carson said.

She has worked for 16 different troop commanders and has seen a number of bosses come and go, many different personalities, and some who had different ways of doing things, but none, she said, were difficult to get along with.

“It was not that hard for me to adapt to the different personalities. I was very lucky to have a lot of good captains and other supervisors who were very supportive and good to work with. You learn and grow with each one. That was another reason for me to keep going,” Carson said. “I’ve got a lot of good memories. It’s been a good career and I feel very fortunate.”

She says that she will really miss everyone and will always keep the Highway Patrol and the many friends she made close in her heart.

With her retirement, Carson said she has much to catch up on at home and she might do some traveling. “I have a lot of books on my shelf waiting for me to read.”

To read the front-page story on Carson in *The Greenville Daily Reflector*, go to:
<http://www.reflector.com/news/a-60-year-career-woman-864328.html?page=2>

Troopers honored for valor, saving lives



Trooper W.K. Bennett – received the CCPS Commendation Award and Highway Patrol Samaritan Award. Trooper Bennett responded and rendered life-saving first aid to Lenoir County deputies Allen Pearson and Ryan Dawson who had been struck during an exchange of gunfire with a suspect wanted by law enforcement officers.



Trooper J.N. Wood – received CCPS Commendation Award and Highway Patrol Samaritan Award. Trooper Wood observed a driver operating his vehicle recklessly on US 17. The trooper was able to stop the driver and determined that he was suffering from a medical problem. Trooper Wood was able to administer sugar to the driver which ultimately saved his life.



Trooper J.M. Burnette – received the CCPS Commendation Award and the Highway Patrol Samaritan Award. Trooper Burnette assisted a motorist who was unresponsive and not breathing. Burnette performed CPR which ultimately saved the motorist's life.



Trooper C.B. Dotson – received the CCPS Commendation Award and the Highway Patrol Samaritan Award. Trooper Dotson responded to a call in which a person was threatening suicide in Swannanoa. Dotson was able to prevent the person from harming herself.



Trooper M.L. Stephens – received the CCPS Commendation Award and the Highway Patrol Samaritan Award. Trooper Stephens responded to a call in Jackson County that involved a child being attacked by a dog. Stephens located the child and was able to prevent the dog from causing further injury.



Trooper R.B. Battle -- earned the CCPS Heroism Award and Highway Patrol Award of Valor. Battle entered a burning home in an attempt to prevent loss of life.



Trooper A.S. Duff – earned the CCPS Commendation Award and Highway Patrol Samaritan Award. Duff, who was off-duty, helped apprehend a suspect in a drive-by shooting in Wallace.



Trooper D.S. Gould – earned the CCPS Commendation Award and Highway Patrol Samaritan Award. Gould attempted to perform life-saving CPR on an unresponsive woman at a residence in Burgaw.



Patrol Telecommunicator F. L. Ledwell – earned the CCPS Commendation Award and Highway Patrol Samaritan Award. Ledwell helped find an overdue truck driver. Authorities found the driver unconscious in the cab of his truck near Columbia, N.J.



Trooper J.K. Locklear – earned the CCPS Commendation Award and Highway Patrol Samaritan Award. After a wreck, Locklear tracked down an injured victim to her home. She was unresponsive, and Locklear gave life-saving care until medical personnel arrived.



Trooper C.R. Davis – received the CCPS Meritorious Service Award and the Highway Patrol Meritorious Award. Davis, along with several other members, participated in a crackdown on street racing in Guilford and Forsyth counties.



Lt. C.R. Lee and Trooper S.G. McKeel – received the CCPS Commendation Award and the Highway Patrol Samaritan Award..Lee and McKeel performed life-saving CPR to a distressed motorist on US 64 in Wake County.



The Commendation Award is CCPS's second-highest award for heroism and is given only to those whose judgment and courage saved others. The Meritorious Award is CCPS's second-highest award for meritorious service or achievement.

The patrol gives the Award of Valor to a member who displayed personal bravery and self-sacrifice while preserving life or property. The Meritorious Award is given to a patrol member who demonstrated outstanding service to the state. The Samaritan Award is bestowed to a patrol member who went beyond the call of duty to help a citizen.

NCDOT 2009 FALL LITTER SWEEP Sweep Scheduled for Sept. 19 – Oct. 3

By George Kapetanakis
DOT Litter Sweep Coordinator

Litter Sweep, the N.C. Department of Transportation's biannual statewide roadside litter cleanup, is, Saturday, Sept. 19, through Saturday, Oct. 3.

A valued litter prevention partner is the N.C. State Highway Patrol. During last year's spring and fall Litter Sweeps, troopers issued more than 250 citations for littering and failure to properly secure or cover loads violations. Upon conviction, the fines for littering can reach \$2,000 with 24 hours of community service work and a point on the driver license.

If you are interested in volunteering, please contact your local DOT maintenance office to obtain safety vests, gloves and orange trash bags in advance of the cleanup. Everyone participating must read the cleanup safety tips and view the safety videos within the AAH Web site at www.ncdot.gov/~adopt-a-highway.

October is National Crime Prevention Month



Do you have a parent who is receiving a Social Security check? In 2008, more than 485,000 Social Security and Supplemental Security Income (SSI) checks were reported lost or stolen and had to be reissued. In addition, an estimated \$64 million in checks issued by the U.S. Department of the Treasury were fraudulently endorsed.

This October – National Crime Prevention Month – your parents can safeguard their money from check theft and fraud by switching from paper checks to direct deposit or the **Direct Express**® Debit MasterCard® card. With that one simple step, people can eliminate the risk of lost or stolen checks and gain peace of mind knowing their money is secure and on time, every time.

For more information call (952) 346-6055 or visit www.GoDirect.org.

Visit the CCPS State Fair Booth in the Kerr-Scott Building



OCT. 15th - OCT. 25th
"A WHOLE LOTTA
HAPPY"

be included.

The State Fair starts Thursday, Oct. 15 and ends Sunday, Oct. 25. CCPS's booth in the Kerr Scott Building is featuring six uniformed manikins representing the following divisions: Alcohol Law Enforcement/Law Enforcement Support Services, Butner Public Safety, N.C. National Guard, State Highway Patrol, State Capitol Police and Emergency Management. The Civil Air Patrol cadet uniform will also be on display, and information on the Governor's Crime Commission and Victim's Compensation will

Employee Spotlight



A civilian employee of the N.C. National Guard, **Tom Bowlin**, faced a tough legislative year in his job as military administrative officer, working in legislative affairs.

Two National Guard programs – the Family Assistance Center and the Tar Heel ChalleNGe Academy – were the target of funding cuts this past legislative session due to the bleak economic situation. Bowlin spent time with numerous legislators generating support for the two programs.

Being sensitive to the fact that many worthwhile programs were facing budget cuts and that the NG programs were competing for limited funds, Bowlin was able to garner support for these vital programs with members of both the House and Senate.

"Everyone in the General Assembly was very open and supportive of these two programs, and they were able to hold the cuts to a minimum, keeping the programs viable and operative," Bowlin said. "It was a team effort on the part of NG headquarters, CCPS and the General Assembly."

Thomas Caves, legislative liaison for the Department of Crime Control and Public Safety worked alongside Bowlin. "Tom Bowlin stepped into a new role involuntarily and he almost single-handedly got Tar Heel Challenge, a program that has turned 2,600 kids' lives around, back in the budget," Caves said. "The fact that he saved the program at all is a big accomplishment. This was a role he excelled in."

Since 2005, Bowlin has been reviewing state and federal bills that pertain to the National Guard, providing analysis of his findings to the adjutant general. One recent legislative issue he followed was the push for a new joint force headquarters in Raleigh. The state fully supported the effort, setting aside money in anticipation of federal grants.

“Congressman David Price was a key player in obtaining stimulus money,” Bowlin said of the \$39.5 million from the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act. “The new headquarters building will be a much more efficient operations center for the state.”

Bowlin, a former U.S. Air Force colonel, was born at the Fort Bragg Army Hospital in Fayetteville. His father was in the U.S. Air Force, and they lived in many different places. He graduated from Northeast High School in St. Petersburg, Fla. On an ROTC scholarship, he attended Florida State University, graduating with a Bachelor of Science degree in psychology in 1974. A year later, he joined the Air Force, making 13 moves in his 26-year career. Germany, Hawaii, Alaska and Pakistan were his “overseas” assignment. His favorite assignment was Dyess Air Force Base in Abilene, Texas.

In Texas, Bowlin was commander of a 300-person squadron. He and his squadron flew C-130 cargo planes for worldwide airlift missions. Bowlin said he was responsible for the squadron’s readiness, professional development and personal welfare of members and their families. He also was responsible for the squadron’s budget, maintenance and supply.

In 2001, Bowlin retired as a colonel and moved to Nashville, N.C., where he lives in a 100-year-old house. The house, he said, is his avocation. He likes to do a little woodworking and he says he plays around with stain glass. His most recent project was refurbishing the barn.

“I’ve learned that with enough nails and glue, you get anything to stand up.”

He says where he lives is quiet, and he and his wife, Paula, spend a lot of time gardening. Sometimes he takes his two grown sons to the rifle range to shoot a little skeet.

Bowlin said he is enjoying working for the National Guard. “I can’t get away from the uniform culture,” he laughed. “This has been a great experience working for legislative affairs for the North Carolina National Guard.”

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