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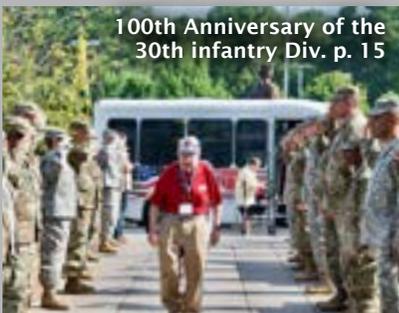
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The Department of Public Safety Family Mourns More Actions Initiated, Immediate Safety Steps Taken, Investigations Ongoing

By Clyde Roper, Communications Officer

"Those who work in our prisons do a difficult and demanding job that is critical to our safety. We're grateful to these fallen prison employees for their service, and we offer our condolences to their families, friends, coworkers and community on this tragic loss," said Gov. Cooper.

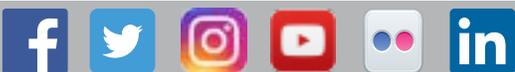
Dec. 7, 1941. Nov. 22, 1963. Sept. 11, 2001. Some dates stay with us long after their page in the calendar has been turned. They become, as President Franklin Roosevelt said of Dec. 7, dates that live in infamy—the notorious kind of fame forever connected with wicked acts. For the DPS family, Oct. 12, 2017, has become such a date. On that day, due to the horrific acts committed at Pasquotank Correctional Institution, our hearts were broken. On that day, two heroes died in the line of duty and others were grievously injured in the deadliest failed prison escape attempt in our state's history. Less than three weeks later, two more employees would succumb to injuries they sustained on that terrible day: Correctional Officer Wendy Shannon died Oct. 30 and Maintenance Mechanic Geoffrey Howe died Nov. 2.

To add to our grief, these tragic events took place less than six months after Sgt. Meggan Callahan also was killed in the line of duty on April 26. With the pain of that

loss still fresh, the DPS family was confronted with yet more tragedy on Oct. 12. Now, with our hearts broken anew, we grieve for all of them. We can never forget these heroes who left us far too soon. Their families, friends and co-workers gathered to honor and say goodbye to Plant Manager Veronica Darden, Correctional Officer Justin Smith and Correctional Officer Wendy Shannon during memorial services held at the Burnim Fine Arts Center at Elizabeth City State University. Services for Mrs. Darden were held Saturday, Oct. 20, while the service for Officer Smith took place the next day and Officer Shannon's service followed on Nov. 5. A private service will be held for Mr. Howe on Nov. 8 in honor of his family's wishes.

Corrections officials and law enforcement officers from North Carolina and at least a dozen other states across the country came to support the families and each other and to pay their respects to the fallen.

The solemn services for Darden, Smith and Shannon





Correction Enterprises Plant Manager
Veronica Darden
Dec. 8, 1966 - Oct. 12, 2017



Correctional Officer Justin Smith
July 4, 1982 - Oct. 12, 2017



Correctional Officer Wendy Shannon
Feb. 18, 1968 - Oct. 30, 2017



ACJJ-Prison Maintenance Mechanic
Geoffrey Howe
May 5, 1986 - Nov. 2, 2017

DPS Takes More Actions, Immediate Safety Steps Put in Place



"As we continue to mourn our colleagues and friends and pray for those critically injured, we not only must seek justice for the perpetrators, we are taking steps to try to ensure that this sort of tragedy never happens again," Secretary Hooks.

The Department of Public Safety is taking more action to make prisons safer following a violent attack on Thursday, Oct. 12, at Pasquotank Correctional Institution in Elizabeth City that claimed the lives of four prison employees.

Following a Friday, Oct. 13 meeting with Governor Roy Cooper, Secretary Erik A. Hooks and state prison leaders, DPS immediately implemented prison safety action items. At Secretary Hooks' direction, more actions are being taken.

"As we continue to mourn our colleagues and friends and pray for those critically injured, we not only must seek justice for the perpetrators, we are taking steps to try to ensure that this sort of tragedy never happens again," Secretary Hooks said. "I am committed to conducting a complete and thorough investigation of the events that occurred to make the prison environment safer for our staff, visitors to our facilities and the inmates we house. I also want to express my gratitude for the quick response and thorough attention to this case by the State Bureau of Investigation, the Pasquotank County Sheriff's Office and the District Attorney's Office."

Immediately after the event, the Department began a thorough assessment of the incident to determine where changes to policies, procedures or safety measures are necessary. Based upon the ongoing review of the incident, Secretary Hooks initiated the

following additional actions:

- Requested the National Institute of Corrections conduct an independent and comprehensive review of the safety and security operations at Pasquotank Correctional Institution, as well as all aspects of Correction Enterprises' safety protocols to include staffing patterns, inmate worker placement assessments, training and operational procedures.
- Shut down operations at the Pasquotank sewing plant permanently.
- Conduct a thorough review of all inmates currently assigned to work in Correction Enterprises operations.
- Pending that review, a specific set of inmates with convictions for assaultive crimes will be suspended from participation in Correction Enterprises operations that involve the use of cutting and/or impact tools until further risk assessments can be completed.
- Those with convictions of a violent crime against a government official and/or law enforcement are ineligible for assignment to any work station utilizing or providing access to cutting and/or impact tools without expressed approval of the Director of Prisons Office.
- Organize an advisory committee to consider and recommend additional technology and individual



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Director of Prisons Kenneth Lassiter



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Sergeant Curtis Casper



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**Correction Enterprises Director
Karen Brown**





Among the honor guards attending the Memorial Services were units from: Oklahoma; Georgia; Minnesota; Delaware; Vermont; Connecticut; Alabama; Oregon; Texas; Michigan; Washington; Maryland; Rhode Island; Nevada, Virginia; Virginia Beach, VA; Alamance County, NC; and guards from multiple states representing the Correctional Peace Officers Foundation.

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each began the same way: in silence. The only sound to be heard was the rhythmic clip-clop of horses pulling the caisson and flag-draped coffin up the long curving drive. Honor guards of correctional officers from around the country were on hand, and they and other law enforcement officials lined the route, coming to attention and saluting as the caisson passed slowly by. Bishop David Hall officiated Mrs. Darden's service. He recalled the scripture of Matthew 8:23, when Jesus calmed the disciples when they were frightened by a storm, strengthening their faith. Bishop Hall told those assembled that although the death of Officer Smith may seem senseless and his family's loss too great a burden to bear, "there is no sorrow on Earth that heaven cannot heal."

"We will rise above the heartache," Bishop Hall said. "We will rise above the despair. We will rise above the hurt... sadness. We will rise above it." Correction Enterprises Director Karen Brown fondly shared her first encounter with Veronica Darden. "As soon as I met her, I knew she was a special, special lady. Veronica absolutely loved her job, and she was really, really good at it. She was so pleased with the quality of goods made at her plant – and make no mistake, it was "her" plant," Brown recalled. "But, beyond that, she really believed in the mission: That she could make a difference, and everyone deserved a second

chance. And she did change many, many lives. Veronica always exuded passion and unparalleled hope and optimism for everyone she met."

Officer Smith's family asked his supervisor, Sergeant Curtis Casper, to speak at Justin's funeral. Casper spoke of Smith's early days working at Pasquotank Correctional Institution and how they discussed professional goals. "Justin knew what job he was working towards: he matter-of-factly told me he wanted my job," explained Smith with a smile. "Officer Justin Smith was one of our brightest. He was confident and showed compassion to all and he had respect for this profession," said Director of Prisons Kenneth Lassiter. "I have no doubt that he would have had a very long and promising career with this agency."

Officer Shannon was remembered as a "great all-around person" who had a great sense of humor, and tremendous love for her family, church family and God. She not only served her community in her work, but also served her country during more than two decades in the Army. Celena Sheard, spoke on behalf of the family at her cousin's funeral saying what a blessing it was to be in the same family, "This attempted prison escape has scarred us, but it will not define us." ♦



Families, friends and co-workers gathered to honor and say goodbye to our fallen colleagues.





“She (Wendy) was always such a wonderful person. Always smiling, always uplifting, just a great person all around.”

*Felix Taylor,
Pasquotank Correctional Institution*



“Our thoughts, prayers and condolences go out to the Howe family. This tragedy has horribly impacted the lives of four families, as well as co-workers and friends.”

*Department of Public Safety Secretary
Erik A. Hooks*



Prison Emergency Response Team (PERT)

The Prison Emergency Response Team (PERT) responded to the Oct. 12 Pasquotank Correctional Institution incident with personnel from around the state. The PERT team assisted in security, as well as getting the facility back in working order after the incident, and any other duties needed.

PERT is a highly-trained unit comprised of security, custody and medical personnel, as well as other staff. It also provides specialized assistance in meeting operational needs that may arise within prisons. PERT also provides supportive and tactical assistance to other public agencies.

PERT operates under the Special Operations & Intelligence Unit within the Division of Adult Correction and Juvenile Justice.



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State Capitol Police Turns 50

Celebrates 50th Anniversary with Reception for Employees and Retirees

By Clyde Roper, Communications Officer

On Friday, Sept. 29, the State Capitol Police commemorated its 50th anniversary by bringing together retirees, former officers and administrative personnel for a special reception at State Capitol Police Headquarters in Raleigh. In August, the State Capitol Police reached the milestone of half a century of service to the people of North Carolina and state officials, employees and visitors.

The floating reception to commemorate the event was held from noon to 2 p.m. on the first day of State Capitol Police Officers' Week in North Carolina, following the signing of a proclamation by Gov. Roy Cooper earlier in the week.

State Capitol Police Chief Glen Allen welcomed the invited guests and then introduced N.C. Department of Public Safety Secretary Erik A. Hooks. Secretary Hooks recognized SCP's first chief of police, Mr. Ray Sorrell, as well as SCP's first female officer, Mrs. Mae Thompson Carpenter, who were both in attendance. He spoke about the importance of diversity in law enforcement and of the crucial value of having high standards for officers who serve and protect the public.

"Having spent almost all my adult life in law enforcement, this is a special occasion for me. For those who are returning here for the first time in many years, I say welcome back and thank you for your service to the state and the people of North Carolina," said Secretary Hooks. "And to those still serving, thank you, too. I know you will continue to honor those who came before you while observing the highest standards of courage, honor and integrity."

After his brief remarks, Secretary Hooks presented State Capitol Police Chief Glen Allen with the signed proclamation from Gov. Roy Cooper. He read the last lines of the proclamation to the assembled officers, personnel, retirees and their families:

"Now, Therefore, I, Roy Cooper, Governor of the State of North Carolina, do hereby proclaim Sept. 29 – Oct. 6, 2017, as State Capitol Police Officers' Week in North Carolina, and



commend its observance to all citizens."

Retired officers and family members then relaxed and talked with current officers and personnel while enjoying refreshments, including a decorated birthday cake. Chief Allen presented the retirees with 50th Anniversary commemorative challenge coins and SCP patches. (All current serving personnel will also receive the coins.) Allen encouraged the retirees to talk about their long years of service. They told of their experiences and about the "good old days" at SCP, concentrating on the good times, with stories that were often humorous. With some old friendships renewed and many new ones formed, all participants seemed to agree it had been a most enjoyable and fitting way to celebrate SCP turning the "Big Five-Oh." ♦





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Juvenile Justice Raising the Bar Awards

By Diana Kees, Public Relations Manager

Gov. Roy Cooper proclaimed Oct. 15-21, 2017, as “Juvenile Justice” week in North Carolina, in recognition of the outstanding work of Juvenile Justice staff and partners with juvenile offenders, their families, crime victims and communities. This marked the first time in its history that the Section’s employees have been singled out for a recognition week. Deputy Secretary for Juvenile Justice William Lassiter and his management team took advantage of the recognition week to present the Section’s “Raising the Bar” awards during an employee appreciation luncheon held in Central Office as part of the Section’s State Employees Combined Campaign kick-off.

During the luncheon, and in a week-long social media campaign, the following Juvenile Justice employees were recognized for “raising the bar” in their work and in their communities:

District 15 Court Counselor Alison Uhlenberg – Court Services; Area Consultant Massey Whiteside – Community Programs; Cook Supervisor Tena Sonko, Cumberland JDC – Facility Operations; Ketan Ramji, nurse, Edgecombe YDC – Health Services; Janet Dalton, teacher, Stonewall Jackson YDC – Education Services; Psychological Program Manager Dr. Janet Clarke-McLean – Treatment Services; Bonnie Clark, Administrative Officer, Central Office. ♦



Information Security Awareness for Every Employee

Can You Spot a Phishing Attack?

Did you know?

- Phishing scams are becoming ever more sophisticated.
- 70% of computer users are fooled at some point.
- The use of genuine-looking security certificates can be used to trick victims into thinking the Web page they've been linked to is legit.
- Spear phishing is an attack aimed at a very small group of people, that is more effective simply because it's unexpected.



Take the quiz to see how you stack up

QUICK QUIZ

1. Phishing emails often contain many spelling errors and odd grammar. *True or False?*
2. If an email from your manager or supervisor refers to a business trip, and you know he/she is in the city referred to, the message is sure to be genuine. *True or False?*
3. The best way to respond to any phishing attack is to simply delete the email. *True or False?*

[Click here for Answers](#)

100th Anniversary of the 30th Infantry Division “Old Hickory”

By LTC Matt DeVivo,
NCNG Public Affairs Office

On Oct. 4, both chambers of the North Carolina General Assembly passed resolutions honoring the 100th Anniversary of the 30th Infantry Division “Old Hickory.” The 30th Infantry Division was officially established and activated on July 18, 1917, as an Army National Guard division drawing units from North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia and Tennessee. The 30th was nicknamed “Old Hickory” in honor of President Andrew Jackson, who was born near the borders of North and South Carolina and Tennessee, where the vast majority of its soldiers resided.

Old Hickory was one of two divisions credited with breaking the Hindenburg Line in the Battle of St. Quentin Canal during World War I. They earned 12 Medals of Honor, more than any other division.

On Sept. 10, 1940, Executive Order #1 by Gov. Clyde Hoey mobilized all elements of the 30th Infantry Division in North Carolina for service in World War II. The 30th landed at Omaha Beach on June 10, 1944, and entered combat five days later. The division took part in every major campaign in the European Theater of Operations: Normandy, Northern France, Rhineland, Ardennes – Alsace and Central Europe.

Notably, during WWII, the “Old Hickory” twice decisively engaged and defeated the German Army’s elite tank divisions of the 1st and 2nd SS Panzer at Mortain, France, and the 1st SS Panzer Division, specifically Kampfgruppe Peiper Battlegroup’s spearhead for the 6th SS Panzer Army, at the Battle of the Bulge. The 30th ID was a key element in the spearhead to break through the Siegfried Line.

The 30th Infant Division spent 282 days in almost constant combat. The division suffered 3,435 killed in action and 12,960 wounded. Six Medals of Honor were awarded to Old Hickory soldiers, 65 Distinguished



Members of the 30th Infantry Division were greeted by friends on the QUONSET POINT path out of Southampton, England, beginning the journey to the U. S.

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devices to enhance the safety and security of prison and Correction Enterprises staff, prison facilities and plant operations. (Committee to include representation from Prisons operations, Adult Correction Special Operations and Intelligence, Legal, State Highway Patrol and Emergency Management).

As previously provided, below are some of the steps Secretary Hooks implemented on Oct. 13:

- Reviewing the safety of all Corrections Enterprises operations at all state prisons.
- Increasing the number of correctional officers who provide security in Correction Enterprises areas, and increasing the number of rounds by the officer in charge within those areas until such time as we are able to conduct a security review to ensure the safety of employees.
- Reviewing emergency procedures at all facilities to enhance safety and security.
- Conducting a complete facility search at Pasquotank Correctional Institution by 100 trained and well-equipped Prison Emergency Response Team members to look for evidence, as well as unrelated contraband that may be in the facility.
- Correction Enterprises employs about 2,500

inmates statewide, teaching job skills in 17 different industries, while producing goods and providing services for government agencies.

Four prison employees were killed and several others injured at Pasquotank Correctional Institution on Oct. 12, when a group of inmates working in a Correction Enterprises program tried to escape. The inmates started a fire in the prison's specialty sewing plant, where about 30 inmates work producing embroidered logo items, safety vests and other sewn items. The fire was extinguished. After the fire was set, several inmates attempted to escape but were not successful.

"The deaths of (four).... employees and severe injuries to others are horrifying," said Secretary Hooks. "As a career law enforcement professional, I am outraged that someone who was convicted of attempting to murder a North Carolina State Highway Patrol trooper, as well as the other inmates who also were convicted of violent attacks, were allowed to work in an environment where they had access to tools that could be used as weapons. Correctional officers like law enforcement dedicate their lives to protecting and serving the public, and they must be safe in their jobs." ♦

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Service Crosses, 1,718 Silver Stars, 6,319 Bronze Stars and 20,000 Purple Hearts.

Gen. Eisenhower's European Theater Historian, S.L.A Marshall, determined that the 30th Infantry Division was the best infantry division in the European Theater during World War II.

Today the lineage and honors of the 30th Infantry Division are proudly carried forward by North Carolina Army National Guard's 30th Armored Brigade Combat Team, based in Clinton with units headquartered across the state.

As each day passes, more members of "Old Hickory" pass away: citizen-soldiers who served proudly and with distinction during World War II.

The 30th Infantry Division Association, the North Carolina National Guard Association, former 30th veterans from WWII and others have reinvigorated efforts requesting the United States Army re-examine the award submission documents that would recognize and grant the 30th Infantry Division the Presidential Unit Citation for exemplary performance and extraordinary heroism, as well as gallantry in action against the enemy in Europe. ♦

Interim Review FY17-18 Launching Jan. 16

The Department of Public Safety will be launching the Interim Review Task on Jan. 16. Prepare by updating your records.

The interim review is a three-step workflow in the NCVIP system:

Step 1: Employee launch

Step 2: Manager discussion with employee and sign and date in the system

Step 3: Employee signature and date

Stay tuned for additional Information on the specific dates associated with each step in the workflow for the Interim Review.





Governor Cooper Recognizes Rescue Teams Proclaims Oct. 6 as “Search and Rescue Day”

“These rescuers did not hesitate to put themselves at risk to save others, working on the ground, in boats and from the air,” said Gov. Cooper. “We are grateful for their service, bravery and dedication.”

Governor Roy Cooper welcomed dozens of members of swift water rescue teams from across North Carolina to the Executive Mansion Oct. 6 and thanked them for their service during Hurricane Matthew, proclaiming the day as “Search and Rescue Day” in recognition of the lifesaving work done by these heroes. Approximately 100 members of search and rescue teams from across the state participated in the event.

The Oct. 6 weekend marked the one-year anniversary of Hurricane Matthew’s impact on North Carolina. Matthew dumped 8 to 12 inches of rain across much of central and eastern North Carolina and up to 18 inches in several communities. The storm set 17 county rainfall records and caused significant flooding along all six of the state’s river basins.

More than 2,300 people were rescued from floodwaters in the days after Matthew, through the

combined efforts of local rescuers, state organized swift water rescue teams, FEMA swift water teams, the NC Helo-Aquatic Rescue teams and military rescue assets from North Carolina bases. More than 400 personnel, 77 boat teams and 12 aircraft were deployed as part of the state organized efforts. Countless other rescues were conducted by local law enforcement agencies and fire departments.

North Carolina’s coordinated rescue effort following Hurricane Matthew was recently recognized with the prestigious international Higgins and Langley Memorial Award for Outstanding Achievement in Swift Water Rescue. Representatives from North Carolina rescue teams accepted the honor last month during the annual conference of the International Association of Water Rescue Professionals in South Bend, Indiana. ♦



State Highway Patrol Conducts 2017 “Operation Stop Arm” When the School Bus Stops, So Should You!

By Master Trooper Chris Knox, SHP Public Information Office
and Laura Nozedar, Communications Specialist

North Carolina State Highway Patrol and Department of Public Instruction teamed up Oct. 16 through Oct. 20 for Operation Stop Arm week to crack down on violations in and around school zones. During the week troopers across the state drove marked and unmarked cars to ensure motorists stopped for school buses in an effort to keep children safe.

Since 1999, stop arm violation reports have been collected by North Carolina public schools, which show a consistent problem that exposes children to danger at bus stops. Thanks to Operation Stop Arm, the NC State Highway Patrol is better able to monitor these incidents and educate drivers on the dangers of illegally passing a school bus.

Passing a stopped school bus can result in a \$500 fine and five points on your driver’s license. If you harm an individual by passing a school bus, it’s a class I felony and a class H felony should the violation result in a death.

Some may ask, how would they know if a violation took place? In 2009, House Bill 440 was created in

memory of Nicholas Adkins, a 16-year-old student who was killed when a driver didn’t stop for a school bus. This bill opened up the opportunity to use video technology to record these incidents, as well as capture the vehicle make, model and license plate number. In the Summer of 2011, the first camera system was installed in Iredell County. Incidents caught on camera provided law enforcement with additional information about stop arm violations reported by bus drivers.

In an annual one-day count in 2017, bus drivers reported more than 3,000 incidents of stop arm violations. By educating residents and monitoring school bus violations, NC State Highway Patrol hopes to reduce the amount of incidents that take place and continue to keep school children safe. Do your part: when the school bus stops, so should you! ♦

North Carolina School Bus Stop Law



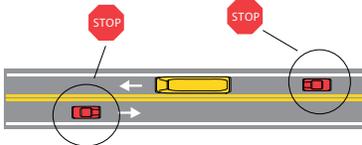
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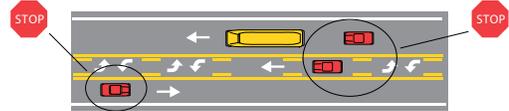
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Two-lane roadway with a center turning lane:

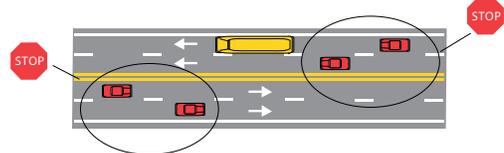
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Four-lane roadway without a median separation:

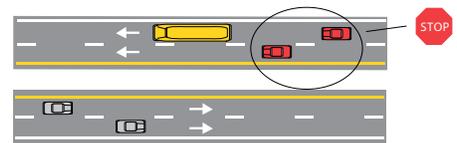
When school bus stops for passengers, all traffic from both directions must stop!



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Divided highway of four lanes or more with a median separation:

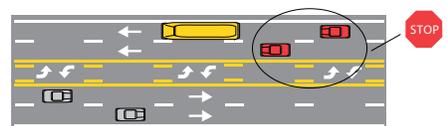
When school bus stops for passengers, only traffic following the bus must stop.



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Roadway of four lanes or more with a center turning lane:

When school bus stops for passengers, only traffic following the bus must stop.





2017 DPS SECC Campaign "Find your own Power of Giving"

Power of Giving

Tis' almost the season of giving and North Carolina Department of Public Safety employees are doing their part to give back to their communities. State agencies throughout NC are working together with the State Employees Combined Campaign to contribute to a variety of charitable organizations.

From bake sales and silent auctions to BBQ fund-raisers and golf tournaments, state employees continue to help strengthen and sustain North Carolina one donation at a time.

Tips to Remember:

- You donate to the charity of your choice. It's about the people, causes and interests that are important to you.
- All state employees and retirees are eligible to participate. If you are not eligible for payroll deduction, you may give by cash, check, credit card or stock transfer gift.
- The minimum donation to designate to a charity is \$10. That gift can be given through payroll deduction, cash, check or credit card.
- Payroll deductions begin January 2018 and go through December 2018.
- No state monies are used to run the campaign.

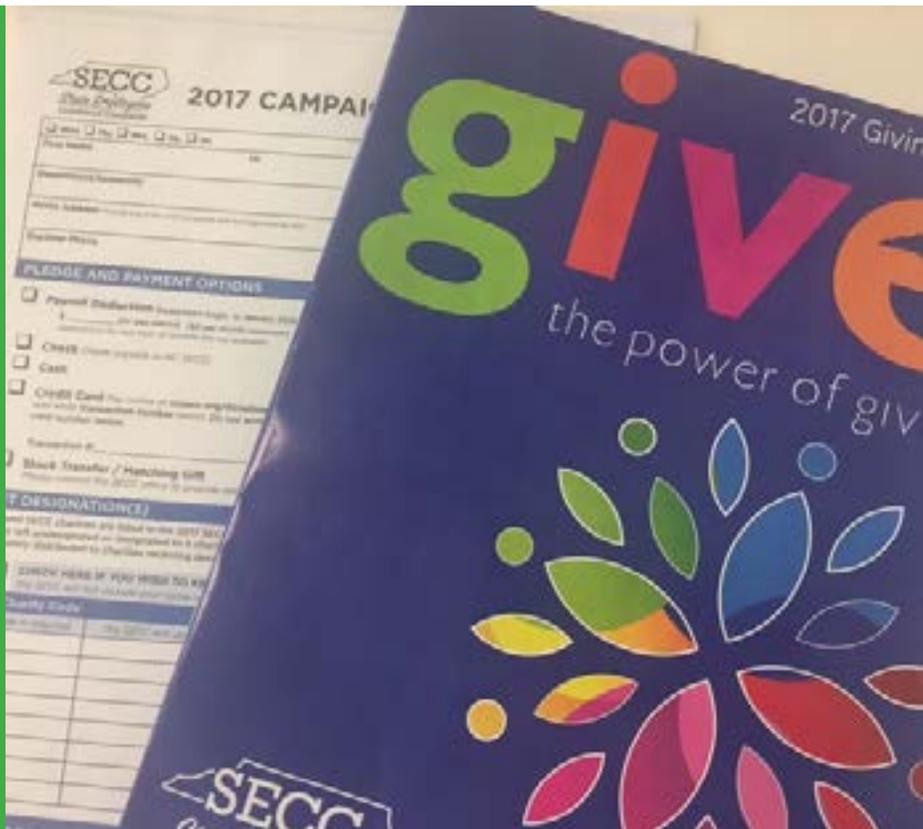
Visit NCSECC.org and search by type of service to find charities that match your interests.

*Just to say **THANK YOU** for making a powerful difference, there will be 4 prizes drawn over 3 dates.*

- First prize was drawn on Oct. 13. Summer Gilliland from Swannanoa was the winner of the Panthers Tickets Drawing! Congrats to Summer!
- Two prizes will be drawn on Nov. 8 - Samsung Tablet and Bluetooth Speaker JBL.
- Final drawing will be Nov. 29 and that prize will be two tickets to Biltmore Estate in Asheville.

To be eligible:

- DPS employee must turn in a pledge form
- The form must be turned in prior to each drawing date.
- Your name will remain in the drawings for the duration of the campaign.





District 28 Getting it Done!

On Oct. 18, staff from Juvenile Justice District 28 made an impact with and for the community and children by participating in the Asheville-Buncombe County United Ways Days of Impact. They were put to work at an Asheville elementary school, where they raked leaves, updated school records, prepped library books for donations, prepared teaching aids kits and read with Title I children.



Tell Me Something Good!

Trooper Susan R. Moreau Saves Hayes' Life

On Feb. 7, 2017, the State Highway Patrol received a request to transfer blood to a hospital in New Hanover County to assist in life saving measures of a patient in need. Several months later, the patient identified as Kenneth Hayes, contacted SHP to offer thanks to the Trooper who assisted in saving his life.

Hayes stated he wanted to invite the member to his retirement dinner to openly thank them for allowing him to make retirement after a long career with GE. Trp. S. Moreau, stationed in Troop B, District 6 New Hanover County, humbly accepted the invitation. Moreau was one of several attendees recognized for saving the life of Hayes.



Lumberton-Fairmont Area Children Smile thanks to Tabor CI and Prison Administration Employees

Tell Me Something Good!

Tabor Correctional Institution and prisons administration led a group of employees in rebuilding a playground and renovating the surrounding park in the Lumberton-Fairmont area of Robeson County, Oct,1-6. Fundraisers were held to help defray the repair costs. Prisons worked with Make-A-Smile, an organization established through the North American Wardens and Superintendents Association after Hurricane Katrina to rebuild parks and playgrounds devastated by hurricanes. Hurricane Matthew devastated the Lumberton area last October, and this park was one of two projects selected for assistance by Make-A-Smile (the other in Louisiana).



Only a life lived for others is a life worthwhile



Many of us watched from afar as Hurricane Maria devastated Puerto Rico, but for Juvenile Court Counselor Sarimar Miller, the destruction hit a little closer to home. Sari's mother, father and extended family members live in Puerto Rico and after going days without hearing from them, Sari was able to reconnect with some family members, but not all. Her cousins lost their home and although everyone was doing well, resources were scarce.

After finding out about Sari's situation, David. E. Wall, Chief Court Counselor, reached out to his staff to see what they could do to help.

District 19 came together and presented Sari with items that were needed in Puerto Rico. "It's very difficult to explain how much this means. The gesture was amazing and I can't help but think of how much happiness and comfort it will bring to those in need," said Sari. "Today you didn't just make a difference in my life, but in the lives of many in Puerto Rico."

CANNONBALL RUN STOPS AT BERTIE CI

On Oct. 1, the second annual Cannonball Memorial Run made a stop at Bertie Correctional Institution in Windsor. Members of the San Bernardino (CA) Sheriff's Department and Carroll County (NH) Department of Corrections officers made a cross-country trip of more than 4,200 miles and 14 stops at law enforcement agencies and correctional facilities to recognize and support families of fallen officers.



Bertie Administrator John Sapper and Chaplain Ricardo Hardison accepted a plaque on behalf of Sgt. Meggan Callahan, who was killed by an inmate last April. The group collected badges from the facilities its visited and left the badges with Attorney General Jeff Sessions at the competition of the trip on Oct. 2.

The Run raises awareness about fallen officers in both prisons and law enforcement agencies. They are also raising funds to assist families of fallen officers. To view photos of the event, [click here](#).

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Congratulations BCO #60!



Nineteen participants graduated the Basic Correctional Officer Class 60 held at Samarcand Training Academy. Pictured are (front row left to right): Jamie Buckle, Jaquisha Smith, Brian Edwards, Kelsey Honeycutt, Timothy Joyner, Sashanna Williams, Calvin Richardson, Bryan Merriman and Tonita Hatcher. Second row from left to right: Thomas Weeres, Anthony Hinton, Danny James, Brandon Rose, Corey Williams, Keith Hyman, Clarence Kelly, Ricky Wiggins and Ragel Mora.

Tell Me Something Good!

Congratulations BCO #63, 64 and 67!

Tell Me Something Good!



Twenty-three participants graduated the Basic Correctional Officer Class 63 held at the Samarcand Training Academy on Oct. 6. Pictured are (front row from left to right): Kenneth Burke, Richard Howell, Christopher Hansley, Ieshia Kearney, Kaitlin Williams, Amanda Moore, Christina Diaz, Amerest Powell; (back row from left to right): Michael Wisnewski, Christopher Grant, Roderick Yow, Ryan Eshleman, Christopher Mussel, Daren Craft, Collin Ransom, Isiah Franklin, Daniel Morton, Bobby Robinson, Blaine Kirby, Ashley Norris, Noel Espinoza, Jacek Kapustynski, Robert Fears



Nineteen participants graduated the Basic Correctional Officer Class 60 held at Samarcand Training Academy on Sept. 29. Pictured are (front row from left to right): Christian Alvarez, Julianna Edwards, James Bullock, Matthew Jenkins, Bryan Leavenworth, James Suttles, Sherry Smith, Jazmine Lewis, and Marcell Owens. Back row from left to right: Lakeith Dove, Ollen Smith, Tony Gilliam, Dorrian Allen, Justin Franks, Anthony Nance, Gary Powell, Kevin Robinson, Damien Lyons and Officer Davin Powell.



Eighteen participants graduated the Basic Correctional Officer Class 67 at the Samarcand Academy on Oct. 20. Pictured are (kneeling from left to right): Juwan Turner; Wesley Fowler; Jenee Jackson; Justin Strauel; Felton Gainey; (middle standing from left to right): Lemuel Blanks; Noel Bryant; Billy Currie; Brandon Hammonds; Niesha Hinton; Ryann Kostandin; Taraessa Hagans; (rear standing left to right): Corbin Garrett; Ian Cottrell; DeMarcus Jackson; Laurence Jackson; Cody Kortenhoven; Naquon Kebe.

P R O M O T I O N S

In September 2017

Milessia Abernathy, correctional sergeant III, Lanesboro CI
Da'Breesha Alford, W/A correctional officer III, Scotland CO
Felicia Allen, correctional sergeant III, Lanesboro CI
James Ball, correctional sergeant III, Foothills CI
Kenneth Barna, maintenance mechanic V, Correction Enterprise
John Batterson, W/A correctional officer III, Tabor CI
Mary Batton, correctional sergeant II, Franklin CI
Mickey Beaver, correctional captain III, Alexander CI
Myrlande Bellevue, professional nurse, NC CI for Women
Robert Benton, correctional officer III, Tabor CI
Latoyia Blount, youth counselor,
 Lenoir Youth Development Center
Leon Brade, correctional housing unit manager I, Polk CI
Robert Brewer, correctional sergeant II, Piedmont CI
Tedrick Brothers, correctional officer III, Pasquotank CI
Latne Brown, correctional sergeant II, Pender CI
Ginger Bryant, correctional sergeant II, Franklin CI
Jordan Bullard, correctional officer III, Scotland CO
Joseph Burns, correctional officer III, Lanesboro CI
Dillon Carter, correctional food service officer III, Lanesboro CI
Donna Cartret, processing assistant IV, Columbus CI
Danny Cartwright, correctional officer III, Pasquotank CI
Derrick Chaffin, correctional sergeant III, Lanesboro CI
Nabil Chakhtoura, radio engineer, State Highway Patrol
Rodney Chavis, correctional lieutenant I, Wake Correctional Center
Brittney Clayton, W/A correctional officer III, Maury CI
Charles Cobb, correctional sergeant I, Caldwell CI
Queen Collins, correctional sergeant II, Piedmont CI
Jordice Cone, processing assistant IV, Engineering
Robin Dail, area 7 coordinator, Emergency Management
Tonka Dial, correctional officer III, Scotland CO
Kenneth Dixon, correctional sergeant II, Lumberton CI
Angela Dobbins, chief probation/parole officer,
 Community Corrections
Geniva Dowtin, correctional housing unit manager II, Warren CI
Jessica Durbin, correctional officer III, Polk CI
Benjamin Edwards, correctional programs supervisor, Catawba CI
Brandon Edwards, correctional sergeant II, Warren CI
Affie Faison, correctional officer III, Scotland CO
Patricia Fowler, nurse supervisor, Pender CI
Moses Fumbah, correctional officer III, Alexander CI
Bernarda Garza, correctional lieutenant II, Albemarle CI
Wallace Gibbs, correction training Instructor II,
 Staff Development & Training
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Robert Guthrie, correctional lieutenant II, Harnett CI
Charles Hart, correctional sergeant I, Piedmont CI
Brittney Holbrook, correction psychological serv Coord-DF,
 Alexander CI
Carol Holiday, administrative officer II, Purchasing & Logistics
Lisa Holler, processing assistant IV, Wilkes Correctional Center
Brian Hollowell, engineering/architectural technician, Engineering
Linda Holm, information processing technician,
 Purchasing & Logistics
Kyle Hoover, correctional sergeant III, Central Prison
Thomas Huffman, correctional sergeant III, Alexander CI
Kody Hughes, correctional sergeant II, Mt. View CI
Lasette Ingram, personnel analyst II - EEO officer, Human Resources
Joy Jones, nurse director, Central Prison Health Complex

Orville Leach, correctional sergeant I, Morrison CI
Fran Lee, office assistant IV, Community Corrections
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Bobby Lewis, correctional sergeant II, Avery Mitchell
Rebecca Long, correctional sergeant III, Central Prison
Morris McDaniel, correctional lieutenant III, Marion CI
Kaleah McKenzie, correctional sergeant III, Lanesboro CI
Nesbuia McManus, correctional programs supervisor,
 NC CI for Women
John Medina, correctional officer III, NC CI for Women
Margie Mercado Samuel, correctional food service Officer II,
 Harnett CI
Joseph Merziak, correctional sergeant III, Marion CI
William Mouring, correctional housing unit manager II,
 Pasquotank CI
Brandon Murphy, chief probation and parole officer,
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Akaieem Nixon, correctional officer III, Central Prison
Lynnise Norris, correctional programs supervisor, Pamlico CI
Chika Nwanedo, professional nurse, Johnston CI
John O'Dell, HVAC mechanic, Facility Management
Peggy Parker, administrative assistant II, Pasquotank CI
Jeffrey Phillips, correctional sergeant II, Piedmont CI
Jerry Phillips, architect, Engineering
Matthew Poore, correctional sergeant I, Catawba CI
Cashandra Pope, correctional officer III, Central Prison
Christopher Rachels, correctional officer III, Tabor CI
Ralph Ray, permit compliance officer, ABC Commission
Quintina Reed, correctional programs supervisor, Tyrrell CI
Helen Reynolds, correction training instructor II,
 Staff Development & Training
Timothy Rhom, correctional sergeant III, Marion CI
James Roberts, correctional sergeant II, Maury CI
Kenny Rodriguez, correctional sergeant II, NC CI for Women
Nathan Scruggs, correctional sergeant III, Alexander CI
Tikeyah Shaw, W/A probation/parole associate,
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Joshua Sigmon, correctional sergeant III, Alexander CI
Sharea Simons, accounting technician, Bertie CI
Jeffrey Smith, correctional administrative services mgr, Albemarle CI
Joshua Snyder, correctional sergeant II, Tabor CI
Rita Spivey, doc shipping/receiving supervisor II,
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Terry Thomas, accounting technician, Maury CI
Tracy Tilley, office assistant IV, Community Corrections
Valerie Trexler, nurse supervisor, Lumberton CI
Matthew Tripp, probation/parole officer, Community Corrections
Larry Troyan, correctional officer III, Tabor CI
Mmasayo Turay, professional nurse, NC CI for Women
Darren Vereen, correctional sergeant I, Forsyth CI
James Waldroop, correctional housing unit manager II,
 Avery Mitchell
Andrew Wester, correctional lieutenant II, Franklin CI
Chaniqua Williams, correctional food service officer II, Sampson CI
Michelle Williams, correctional food service Officer III, Central Prison
Glenda Worrells, correctional housing unit mgr II, NC CI for Women



RETIREMENTS

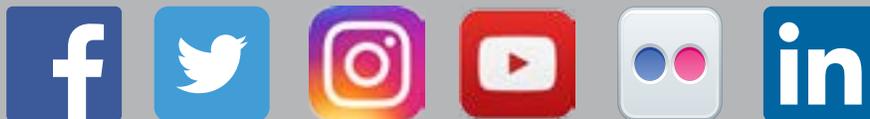
John Acree, correctional sergeant I, Tillery CI, 36y/8m
Jeffrey Aiken, first sergeant, State Highway Patrol, 27y/ 3m
Joseph Bailey, correctional officer III, Maury CI, 29y/8m
Anita Barnes, correctional officer II, Harnett CI, 20y/3m
Willie Beasley, correctional officer II, Harnett CI, 26y/5m
Sadie Boyd, correctional programs supervisor, Warren CI, 24y/0m
Gayle Brown, accounting technician, Tabor CI, 9y/6m
Michael Burleson, correctional officer II, Avery Mitchell CI, 15y/6m
Walter Burleson, correctional officer II, Avery Mitchell CI, 15y/7m
Edith Covington, processing assistant IV, Correction Enterprise, 32y/8m
Sylvia Crenshaw, correctional lieutenant III, NC CI for Women, 21y/8m
John Davis, correctional assistant superintendent I, Randolph CI, 29y/1m
Rodney Dyson, correctional sergeant I, Catawba CI, 28y/11m
Joseph Elliott, correction training Instructor II, Staff Development and Training, 28y/6m
William Evans, captain, State Highway Patrol, 27y/9m
Elvin Exum, correctional programs director I, NC CI for Women, 22y/5m
Jack Faircloth, facility maintenance supervisor IV, Harnett CI, 26y/1m
Patricia Furr, correctional administrative services mgr, Albemarle, 41y/0m
Ollie Green, licensed practical nurse, Caledonia, 19y/8m
Deborah Griffin, probation/parole officer, Community Corrections, 31y/3m
Kevin Gwaltney, correctional programs supervisor, Catawba CI, 29y/1m
Michael Johnson, correctional officer I, Greene CI, 13y/6m
Cassandra Jones, correctional sergeant I, Wake Correction Center, 29y/10m
Bobby Lawson, correctional officer I, Neuse CI , 18y/10m
David Lawson, chief probation and parole officer, Community Corrections, 27y/11m
James Lewis, correctional sergeant II, Pamlico CI, 17y/0m
Rodney Mauldin, correctional officer II, Albemarle CI, 27y/11m

Thomas McCoy, trooper, State Highway Patrol, 27y/9m
Jan McLaurin, professional nurse, Hoke CI, 20y/0m
William McMullen, correctional case mgr, Warren CI, 11y/3m
Milton Moore, correctional officer II, Craven CI, 20 y/0m
Rebecca Moore, substance abuse counselor advanced, Alcohol & Chemical Dependency, 22y/4m
Dan Murphy, correctional officer II, Piedmont CI, 14y/6m
Robert Owens, physician, Health Services, 24y/2m
Darrell Pacheco, correctional officer II, Craggy CC, 27y/6m
Betty Penland, nurse supervisor, Craggy CC, 6y/11m
Douglas Phillips, patrol telecommunicator, State Highway Patrol, 24y/4m
Steven Pierce, correction training specialist II, Avery Mitchell CI, 28y/4m
James Price, correctional officer I, Foothills CI, 20y/11m
Terry Sealey, correctional food service officer II, Tabor CI, 6y/9m
Donell Smith, probation/parole officer, Community Corrections, 29y/4m
William Spruill, correctional sergeant I, Caldwell CI, 25y/10m
William Stovall, engineering director, Central Engineering, 35y/1m
Ronnie Summerlin, trooper, State Highway Patrol, 23y/4m
Judy Teachey, dental assistant, Pender CI, 25y/1m
Jerry Thornton, telecommunications shift supervisor, State Highway Patrol, 13y/3m
Barney Trull, mechanic supervisor II, State Highway Patrol, 23y/9m
Lawrence Upton, correctional officer II, Albemarle CI, 8y/11m
Douglas Watkins, correctional captain III, Alexander CI, 28y/2m
Diane Watson Harrison, information processing technician, Purchasing & Logistics, 17y/1m
Ronnie Webb, correctional lieutenant I, Neuse CI , 32y/11m
Daniel Wheeler, correction training instructor II, Staff Development and Training, 22y/11m
Gary Wilkerson, correctional lieutenant II, Harnett CI, 24y/1m
Bobby Williams, maintenance mechanic IV, Nash CI, 24y/1m
Steven Williams, staff psychologist, Health Services, 19y/1m
Michael Yockey, probation/parole officer, Community Corrections, 14y/5m

PASSINGS

Albert Edwards, correctional officer III, Central Prison, 1y/10m
Robyn Kite, professional nurse, Pender CI, 4y/2m
Heidi Lokers, office assistant IV, Triangle Admin Services, 5y/0m

Gwendolyn Norville, deputy secretary/commission IV, Adult Correction Juvenile Justice, 30y/5m
Christopher Stallings, correctional officer I, Greene CI, 3y/2m



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