



THE CPA COMMUNICATOR

Membership Application/Renewal

Please send completed application and \$15 dues to:
(Make checks payable to CPAAA)

Pembroke Pines Police Dept.
Community Affairs Unit, CPAAA
9500 Pines Blvd.
Pembroke Pines, FL 33024

Member Completes	Name: _____ CPA class#: _____
	Address: _____ Bldg/Apt#: _____
	City: _____ State: _____ Zip code: _____
	Home phone#: (____)____-____ *Work phone#: (____)____-____
	*E-mail address: _____ * This information is optional
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Newsletter

This monthly publication keeps members current on trends and new developments specifically affecting law enforcement and Citizens Police Academy programs, as well as upcoming training events. Informative and professional in appearance, it is the one educational tool that reaches the entire membership on a regular basis.

Join the CPAAA Today!!

We need your support. Each CPA graduate has the opportunity to lend their time in the community. Meetings are each third Tuesday of the month and we strive to have guest speakers and other functions. Join today. The dues are only \$15 a year. The rewards are more....

Membership fees are due on January 1st of each year. It entitles you to participate in the various functions, training, and programs offered.

Please join and help support your community!!

**2013
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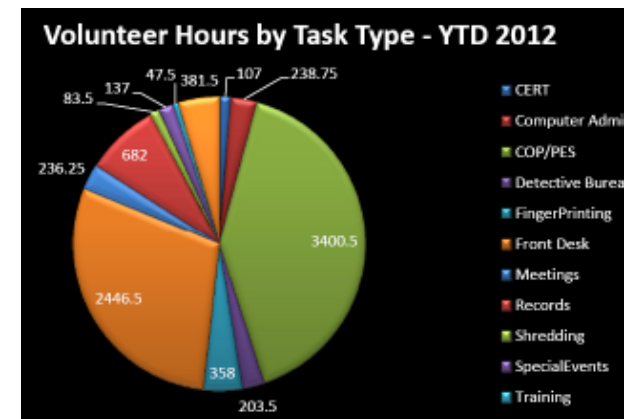
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February 2013

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***Next meeting - February 19, 7 pm
Pembroke Pines Police Department***

Does Volunteering Count? You betcha!!



The calendar year 2012 counts tells the story. The COP / PES hours amounted to 3,400 hours out of 8,323 hours. This amounts to a whopping 41% of the total volunteer hours. We need to give ourselves a round of applause.

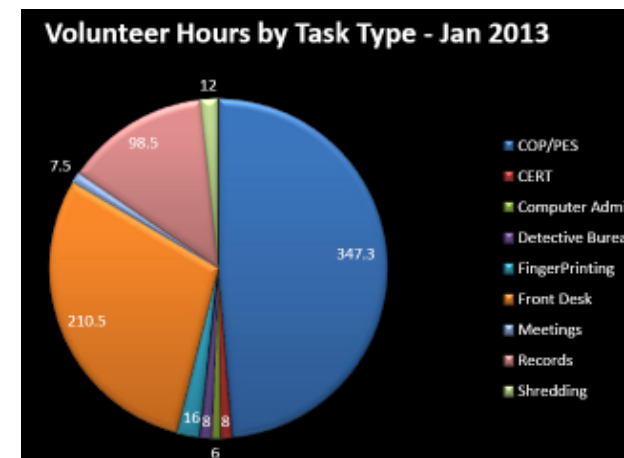
Other statistics:

2012

- Handicap violations: 1,143 x \$257
- Fire lane violations: 613 x \$38
- Parking violations: 118 x \$15
- Sidewalk violations: 45 x \$15
- Crosswalk violations: 48 x \$15
- Engine running: 8 x \$15
- Stop sign: 1 x \$15

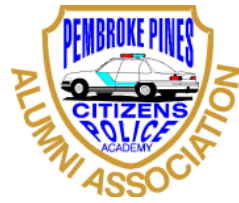
January 2013

- Handicap violations: 122 x \$257
- Fire lane violations: 64 x \$38
- Parking violations: 8 x \$15
- Sidewalk violations: 11 x \$15




Incorporating volunteers into a law enforcement environment allows the department to achieve the best possible public safety product, beyond what a department's budget can purchase.

The **Independent Sector** announced that the 2011 estimate for the value of a volunteer hour has reached **\$21.79**, an increase from \$21.36 per hour in 2010. The release of this important figure comes before National Volunteer Week, which takes place April 21 – 27, 2013 [edited for currency]. This week is meant to celebrate what people are doing to improve communities across the nation.



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FREE CPR certification class set Monday February 25th from 6pm to 10pm. Anyone interested must contact PSA Watters to sign up.

February Speaker

Ofc Jon Cusack is the guest presenter this month, going over safety techniques/defensive tactics and more.



Class #37 Starting!!

We Need Your Help!!

- Looking for a few volunteers to help assist Access for Life with their Expo set up on Friday February 22nd. They need help with setting up small pop up tents, traffic cones/barricades, booth signs, tables and chairs and more. Access for Life is a program for Individuals and families living with disabilities. Helping those who can not experience the everyday joys of playing outside, boating, archery, games, fishing, kataking, etc... It will be at CB Smith park. If you help them out contact Gary Tiner at 954-257-0518.
- Need assistance blocking streets for the annual Pasadena Lakes Optimist Parade on Pasadena Blvd Saturday Feb 23 from 8:30am to 10am. Bring a **COP** car and traffic vest. Let Cheryl know if you can help out.
- COP/PES has been asked to assist CAU with distributing brochures to convenience store around the city about the selling and distributing "fake pot". Contact Cheryl for more info.

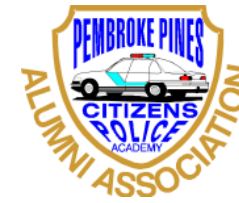
Citizens Police Academy

CPA 37 starts next week Feb 21. till May 30
Class is full!!!

CPA 38 will start on August 22nd,
Now accepting applications.

Annual CPAAA PICNIC

*April 7, 10am - 3 pm . . .
Bring horseshoes, food, family,
fun, camera, yourselves in back of
the PD in Tanglewood Park!!
Be there!!*



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Prez Msg

It was really great to see you all at our January meeting.

I would like to wish Major Thomas Maher lots of luck on his new promotion and thank him for speaking at our last meeting. Major Maher is in charge of a lot of different

departments under his command, which is The support Services/Community Services Division. It was very interesting to hear what he does.

A vote was taken and April is the month for our picnic. I hope that the weather will be nice and a good time will be had by all. We weren't lucky the last couple of years.

Our guest for February will be Officer Jon Cusack. He will be teaching us some defensive tactics. It should be a fun and interesting night.

I would like to welcome our new board member Steven Card. He is taking over for Max Buck who moved. Thanks for accepting the position.

Hope to see everyone at our February 19th meeting.

Sandy

What is the Citizen Police Academy?

The role of Police has always been an interest to the average Citizen. The television media has capitalized upon this curiosity with shows such as "Cops", "America's Most Wanted", and "Stories of the Highway Patrol". Each week, real police action is broadcast into the living rooms of millions of Americans. Numerous Police Agencies have also benefited from the curiosity that citizens have about the police.

These agencies have formed Citizens Police Academy programs that create an expansion of their community based efforts. These programs are intended to open the lines of communication between the Community and the Police Department. Generally, the relationship between the police and the citizen is one of "love/hate".

To the Citizen, it may frequently appear that the police are not doing their job or are exceeding their boundaries. By allowing citizens a firsthand look at what rules, regulations and policies the police follow, some of the misunderstanding may be alleviated. The objective of the Citizens Police Academy is not to train an individual to be a "Reserve Police Officer" but to produce informed citizens.

The Citizens and Police Officers meet each other face to face in a neutral, friendly setting and each becomes a person to the other. In the past, citizens have simply seen a uniform, now they have an understanding about the person behind the badge.

The **Pembroke Pines Citizens Police Academy Alumni Association** continues with this philosophy. Please consider joining us today!

VIGILANT VS VIGILANTE

By Bruce Eisner

We have been taught by our parents as we have taught our children to be vigilant of our surrounds. Last year, community patrols around the world were cast into the spotlight with the horrific events in Sanford, Florida.

Our Community on Patrol program embraces the regimen of providing the extension of eyes and ears of the Pembroke Pines Police Department. We ALWAYS patrol with a minimum of two people. We ALWAYS summon the Police when we see anything that needs intervention. We NEVER carry any form of weapon. We NEVER put ourselves in harm's way.

Unfortunately, the true Vigilante does not and cannot embrace this regimen. Captain Andy Mehringer, Retired, told me once that any organization is only as strong as its weakest link. We, as a group, have the responsibility to ourselves and the Police Department to abide by our rules without exception. Let us continue on with our good work.