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## **Citizens Police Academy Alumni Association**

February 2025 - South Chapter Newsletter

Kim Hummert, Newsletter Editor

Dear CPAAA Members,

Welcome to the first CPAAA newsletter of 2025! I hope everyone had a good holiday season and are looking forward to a great new year.

CPAAA will again participate in Hardee's Heat Up St. Louis. Most of you are familiar with this event where they offer breakfast biscuits for \$1.00 each to help people who cannot afford to pay their high heating bills during the winter. The CPAAA have ordered 50 Sausage Biscuits and 50 Egg Biscuits to send to the 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Precincts. District stations as well will work at the Lemay Ferry location from 9:00 to 10:00 a.m. to collect additional donations from Hardee's customers. This will take place on Friday, February 14<sup>th</sup> which is Valentine's Day! All proceeds will go directly to people in our area. If you happen to be in the vicinity, why not make plans to stop by Hardee's (located at 2580 Lemay Ferry Road) and help this good cause.

Our first meeting of the new year is being held on Thursday, February 13<sup>th</sup> at Grace Union Church. We are going in a little different direction in the aspect of police work. Our first guest speaker will be Chaplain Chris Summer, one of the Chaplains for St. Louis County Police.

Doors will be open at 6:30 p.m. If you would like to bring a little snack to share with your fellow CPAAA members, it would be greatly appreciated!

*Larry McDaniel*

President of the CPAAA South Chapter

## **NEXT MEETING - FEBRUARY 13, 2025**

Grace Union Church, 3900 Union Road, St. Louis, MO 63125

**Our CPAAA General Meeting will start at 7:00 p.m.**

**Refreshments & Social Time will start at 6:30 p.m.**

We are looking forward to seeing everyone!

Please join us as we recognize and honor the  
**Officers of the Quarter for the 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter of 2025**  
They will be receiving a plaque and a monetary gift.

**3<sup>rd</sup> Precinct (Affton Southwest) 4<sup>th</sup> Precinct (South County)**

Officer Amanda Holben

Officer Carl Crimi

Our guest speaker will be Chaplain Chris Summer,  
one of the Chaplains for St. Louis County Police.



## From the 3rd Precinct

Hello and Happy New Year to all!

The Affton Southwest Precinct hopes you have had a great start to 2025!

I would like to highlight one of our officers, P.O.

Courtney Abt, who received the honor of "2024 Officer of the Year" from your organization, the Citizen Police Academy Alumni Association. She officially received this award at your Christmas Party and Officer of the Year Celebration in December at Andre's. She accepted the award with many of your members in attendance, as well as several 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Precinct personnel, and in front of her parents.

P.O. Abt has been a police officer for approximately five years, all with the Affton Southwest Precinct, and is currently assigned to our midnight shift. She shows up to work with a positive attitude, works well with her peers, communicates well with her supervisors, and tries to prevent as much crime as possible by being visible in neighborhoods and business lots. She is passionate about being a great role model, as she is involved in the St. Louis County Police Explorer's program. P.O. Abt is invested in the Affton community, and loves developing and maintaining relationships with businesses and citizens.

We would like to thank all the board members, volunteers, and other CPAAA members that support us throughout each year. I would also like to specifically thank the members of the CPAAA that visited local businesses and received donated gift cards to give to both the 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Precinct Officers of the Year. That aspect of this award makes this very special for the recipient. We are so proud of our partnership with you and love the support you give our officers. If you see P.O. Courtney Abt on the street, tell her Congratulations!

Please don't hesitate to contact us if you are in need of anything! Please remember, for emergencies, call 911. For non-emergencies, dial 636-529-8210.

Lieutenant Shawn McGuire  
and the Officers of the Affton/Southwest Precinct



*Congratulations*

Police Officer Courtney Abt  
on being named  
Officer of the Year 2024  
for the 3<sup>rd</sup> Precinct.

Pictured here with  
Dennis and Susan Doerge  
from CPAAA



## From the 4th Precinct

Hello All,

I hope everyone is doing well and staying healthy! With me being assigned to the school right now, I'm trying my hardest to avoid getting sick with the Flu and Norovirus, which seems to be spreading like wildfire!

So far this year, crime is down in all areas (crimes against persons, crimes against property, and crimes against society), when compared to this time last year. Our top calls are typically sick cases and motor vehicles accidents. Speaking of motor vehicle accidents... There is a new law that went into effect this year called the Siddens Bening Hands-Free Law. This new law prohibits the use of cell phones while operating a motor vehicle, unless the use can be done "hands-free". A lot of our accidents occur because the driver is distracted with a cell phone, so this new law will hopefully reduce crashes.

As for department-wide news, we are about to open our very own employee only early childhood education center. This will be a huge benefit to our department employees with young children and hopefully help with recruitment and retention. The center will be limited to only St. Louis County Police employee's children (commissioned and professional staff) and it will be open 24/7! The cost will also be significantly discounted when compared to other daycare centers! The St. Louis County Police Association and National Law Enforcement Foundation helped make this possible for our department and we are extremely thankful for these wonderful organizations.

This year we will be transitioning all officers from our current duty handgun, which is a .40 caliber Sig Sauer P229, to the 9mm Springfield Echelon. Over the past couple years, the department weapons committee has been researching and testing new handguns. The committee picked the Echelon as it was the best choice for us, and able to meet our strict standards. Each officer will spend three full days at our range to get acclimated and proficient with the new firearm. At the end of the three days, each officer will have to pass our annual weapons qualification before being able to carry the new weapon on duty.

We look forward to seeing everyone at the General Meeting!

Officer Daniel Rehagen  
and the Officers of the South County Precinct



*Congratulations*

Police Officer Andrew Topolski  
"Topper" on being named  
Officer of the Year 2024  
for the 4<sup>th</sup> Precinct.

Pictured here with  
Joe Buffa from CPAAA

## CPAAA MERCHANDISE



If you would like to order CPAAA Merchandise, we have a new local vendor, **Dot the I Embroidery**.

Please visit our website for more information.

[www.cpaaasouth.com](http://www.cpaaasouth.com)

(click on MORE and select MERCHANDISE) to download order form and instructions.

## 2025 CPAAA OFFICERS & BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Congratulations to all of the new Officers and Board Members who were installed at our annual Christmas Party on December 5, 2024.

### 2025 Officers

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Dale Flanakin, Past President



A big **THANK YOU** to **Barb Puckett** and her Christmas Party Committee for all the work they did to make it a fantastic evening!

Also, **THANK YOU** to **Marci Potter** for coming up with the creative sing-a-long songs!

*See you all in December*



## General Meeting Dates for 2025

Grace Union Church

6:30 p.m. Social • 7:00 p.m. Meeting

Thursday, February 13

Thursday, May 8

Thursday, August 14

Thursday, November 13 (Elections)

*Coming Soon!*

The new 2025 CPAAA Brochure will be available at our next General Meeting. It will list our new Officers and Directors, Upcoming Meetings, Events, Contacts, Committees, and Coordinators, along with various volunteer opportunities.

*Thank you to Officer Rehagen and the 4<sup>th</sup> Precinct for helping out with the printing of our new brochure!*

*Visit Our Website*

[www.cpaaasouth.com](http://www.cpaaasouth.com)

Our website gives you up-to-date information regarding the dates of our upcoming events and volunteer opportunities. As we are apprised of events and the need for volunteers, we will send an e-blast as well as post the information on the website. You can also see newsletters, minutes, photos & other CPAAA information. Also, be sure to check out each precinct's Facebook page!

Thank you, Jim Fesler, for taking care of our CPAAA website!

We ♥ Volunteers

If you are volunteering to work at an event, please contact our volunteer coordinator.

**Karen Hernandez ~ 314-925-8866**

Karen will return phone calls and emails in the order which she received them.