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May 2025 - South Chapter Newsletter Kim Hummert, Newsletter Editor

Hello CPAA Members,

Welcome Spring (if and when Winter has finally left us!)

Spring is when we can get started with volunteering for a few of our outside events, which are coming up in the next couple of months. Some of the favorites are the annual St. Louis County Police Memorial Golf Tournament held at Norwood Hills Country Club on June 16th, "Cop on a Rooftop" at Dunkin Donuts with the 7th District on May 16th and the ever-popular JB Blast held on June 27th.

Our next General Meeting is on Thursday, May 8th. We will be recognizing the Officers of the Quarter for the 2nd Quarter. We will also have a special guest speaker, Dave Newcomb, who is taking care of neighborhood property issues in our area. If you have any snacks you would like to share at our meeting, please feel free to bring them along...they would be most welcome.

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to call me or one of the Board Members. Looking forward to seeing everyone...it has been awhile.

Larry McDaniel

President of the CPAAA South Chapter

NEXT MEETING - MAY 8, 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 2**nd **Quarter of 2025** They will be receiving a plaque and a monetary gift.

3rd Precinct (Affton Southwest) 4th Precinct (South County)
Officer Marcus Bechtold Officer Bradley Tucker

Our guest speaker will be Dave Newcomb, who handles neighborhood property issues in our area.



From the 3rd Precinct

Happy Spring to all members of CPAAA!

The Affton-Southwest Precinct is committed to the safety and security of students and staff at all high schools, middle schools, and elementary schools located in our area of coverage. We enjoy a great partnership with all the school districts including Affton, Bayless, Lindbergh, and Mehlville, along with some private schools including Lutheran High School South and Cor Jesu Academy.

To strengthen this partnership, and better serve our schools and local community, we are in the process of completing several walk-throughs of each school, ensuring we have the most updated schematics, contact numbers, and discussing their policies/procedures on emergency responses, so our officers can plan accordingly if responding to a school for a call for service. We discuss ways to better secure their buildings to prepare for any type of emergency, including active shooter situations.

We will continue completing these walkthroughs before the school year ends, eventually walking through each school in our boundaries. This process not only helps the schools and staff prepare for different types of emergencies, but it also helps us prepare for our best response to each school. Communication is the key to any successful relationship, and we are dedicated to serving these schools, and ultimately the Affton-Southwest residents.

We hope everyone stays safe and preparing for some nice weather!

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



From the 4th Precinct

Hello All,

I hope everyone is doing well and not affected by the severe weather that has been hitting our area. Typically, when we have severe weather roll through the area, our call volume increases dramatically. We receive calls for downed power lines/ trees, flooded roads, fires/smoke from lightning strikes, and vehicle accidents to name a few. With the assistance of the Fire and Street Departments, we are able to handle the increase in storm-related calls, while still maintaining the ability to respond to other emergencies as well.

On April 18th, Mehlville H.S. hosted their annual Special Olympics Event. Capt. Schellman, Lt. Noonan, along with Officers Kappler, Vineyard and Jacobsmeyer attended the event to support the athletes and cheer them on! The St. Louis County Police Department is very involved in Special Olympics, along with most police agencies in the St. Louis area. It is always a rewarding experience, and the athletes have such a great time competing in various athletic events.

We have an upcoming event to support the Special Olympics. The event is called "Cop on a Rooftop" and will be held at the Dunkin' Donuts located at 4220 Telegraph Road on May 16th from 6:00 a.m. until Noon. Several Officers will be there to raise awareness and collect money to be donated to their organization. Please come out and show your support!

There is a bill currently making its way through the Missouri House of Representatives. SB 71 (Public Safety Recruitment and Retention Act) would offer free college tuition to police, firefighters, paramedics, EMT's and dispatchers after 6 years of service. After 10 years of service, dependents of first responders can receive free college tuition. We are hopeful this bill becomes law, which would help incentivize individuals towards a career in Law Enforcement, or any other first responder profession, which are all struggling with low staffing and limited interest. Let's hope this bill makes it across the finish line!



We look forward to seeing everyone at the General Meeting!

Officer Daniel Rehagen and the Officers of the South County Precinct

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Heat-Up St. Louis, Inc. is a non-profit 501(c)(3) charity that focuses on helping elderly people, the disabled and low-income families in MO and IL with their delinquent energy bills.

Thank You CPAAA VOLUNTEERS and POLICE OFFICERS who helped out at this great annual event. You are appreciated!





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



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

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