



# *The CCPS All-Points Bulletin*

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## *A Message from the Secretary*

Col. Richard Holden retires as commander of the Highway Patrol this month after 35 years of service to the citizens of North Carolina. Col. Holden led the Patrol through some of the most important years of the agency's professional development, including the first accreditation in 2000, the reaccreditation in 2003, and the successful transfer of the Motor Carrier Enforcement Section. During his tenure as commander, the Patrol has renewed its focus on traffic safety, developed innovative ways to reduce crashes and fatalities, and made changes designed to improve employee morale, such as fine-tuning the promotion process and revising the domicile policy. On the personal level, Col. Holden has held leadership positions and represented the state well in several national and international associations. I want to take this opportunity to publicly thank Col. Holden for his many years of service to the state and nation, and to wish him well in his future endeavors.

*Bryan E. Beatty*

## *Congratulations!*

**Tim Miller**, EM's Western Branch Manager, received the Higgins and Langley Memorial Award for Excellence in Swiftwater Rescue at the National Association for Search and Rescue Conference ceremony in June. The award honors outstanding achievements in the field of swiftwater-flood rescue. Tim has been instrumental in the area of swiftwater team development and deployment for many years, but especially after Hurricane Floyd in 1999, in which 35 of the 52 deaths in North Carolina were caused by drowning.

ALE Director **Mike Robertson** was elected to the N.C. Board of the Regional Organized Crime Information Center (ROCIC) at a June 2004 conference. As a board member, Robertson represents local, state, and federal law enforcement agencies, which are all members of ROCIC. Robertson was first elected to the board in 1996 and has served as chairman, vice-chairman and secretary. The ROCIC is an innovative program designed to support law enforcement efforts to combat organized criminal activity, drug trafficking, criminal gangs, violent crimes, and to promote officer safety.

Gov. Easley named Majors **Fletcher Clay** and **Cecil Lockley** to be the new Colonel and Lt. Colonel of the Highway Patrol, respectively. Clay replaces Col. Richard Holden, who retires June 30 and Lockley replaces Lt. Col. Gene Autry, who retired last year. A swearing in ceremony will be held June 30 at 2:00 pm at the State Capitol in Raleigh.

**Mary Farrar**, Administrative Services, received her Master of Business Administration degree from Strayer University this month. She is administrative assistant to Chief Deputy Secretary William Dudley.

## *Comings & Goings*

Welcome to our new employees: **Kimberly Smith** and **Minnie Truax**, Fiscal; **Dwayne Bowden** and **James Rose II**, BPS; **Michael Costanzo** and **Joyce Holley**, EM; **Jennifer Bass**, **Donna Broome**, **Regina Dennis**, **William Gibbs, Jr.**, **Amy Guion**, **Lakeisha Hall-Davis**, **Rita Manuel**, **Tyla Peterson**, **Jerry Thornton**, and **Ella Ward**, SHP.

Good luck to our recent retirees: **Brenda Banks**, EM; Colonel **R.W. Holden**, VEOI **L.A. Wilson**, OAIVs **Carole King** and **Faye Willingham**, SHP.

### *From the Human Resources Office*

The Office of State Personnel has announced that several new businesses, including Kindercare and various cellular phone companies, have recently joined the State Employee Discount Program. For a complete list of discounts for state employees in subject areas such as automotive, travel and electronics, go to [http://www.osp.state.nc.us/divinfo/E-Discounts/discounts\\_frameset.html](http://www.osp.state.nc.us/divinfo/E-Discounts/discounts_frameset.html).

### *From the Controller's Office*

Motor Fleet Management (MFM) has advised agencies that mileage rates charged for the use of state-owned cars will be raised by one cent to \$.23 per mile due to the increased cost of gasoline effective July 1, 2004. Therefore, agencies will also reimburse state employees at the \$.23 mileage rate when a state owned vehicle is available, and the employee chooses to use his or her own vehicle. If the price of gasoline continues to climb, MFM has advised they may need to adjust mileage rates again. Likewise, if gasoline prices are reduced substantially, MFM will reduce the rates. In the meantime, MFM recommends state employees request smaller vehicles which get better gas miles.

### *Division News*

**Alcohol Law Enforcement** is partnering with the ABC Commission and the Century Council this summer to get the word out about how easily teens get access to alcohol. A national survey showed that 65% of teens get their alcohol from family and friends. Public service announcements will air on North Carolina TV stations and other materials will be posted at places where alcohol is sold.

The **Boxing Commission** will co-host the 2004 Association of Boxing Commissions (ABC) annual conference July 20-25 in Charleston, SC, with the State of South Carolina. The ABC assists in the regulation of the sport of boxing world wide, provides training for boxing officials and develops health and safety regulations for competitors. The membership consists of the Boxing Commissions of 45 states, 8 tribal units, and 5 Canadian associate members.

**Butner Public Safety** will assist with the annual Creedmoor-Butner Independence Day Fireworks Display Celebration on July 3 at Lake Holt. About 5,000 people attended last year's event. Included in the activities will be a live band, concessions and, of course, fireworks.

The **Civil Air Patrol Division** will welcome International Air Cadet visitors from Sweden, Turkey and Singapore in late July. They will travel from Elizabeth City to Charlotte focusing on aviation tours and military flights.

The **Governor's Crime Commission** will hold committee meetings in July to discuss and adopt policy and funding priorities in preparation for administering the 2005 federal grant programs.

The **National Guard** is establishing a second Starbase program at the N.C. National Guard Training Center at Ft. Fisher. Starbase is a federally-funded, week long program for fifth-graders aimed at improving math and science skills. The first Starbase is in Charlotte. The first two classes for the new Starbase will be conducted in August with the first off-site classes set for Carteret County the week of August 24.

The **State Highway Patrol** will partner with other law enforcement agencies in the "100 Days of Summer H.E.A.T." campaign. With support from the Governor's Highway Safety Program, officers will combine enforcement efforts and a public information campaign designed to reduce the number of crash fatalities and injuries associated with speed, impaired driving, and safety belt violations.

### *Date and Time for Future CCPS iForums*

**Wednesday, June 30, 2004 at 10:00 am**

Guest - Dr. Ken Taylor, Director, Division of Emergency Management

**Wednesday, July 28, 2004 at 10:00 am**

Guest – to be announced