



The CCPS All-Points Bulletin

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A Message from the Secretary

The Department's new web site will debut in early June. The site will have the same URL as before (www.nccrimecontrol.org) but with a new, consistent look across all Divisions. It will be easier for a web user to find the information they need, and will soon have a 'search' capability for the first time. The new site has been under development for nearly a year, but will continue to grow and change as necessary. The primary reason for consolidating the web pages is because our customers and citizens need a single source to go to for public safety information and programs, without having to know what each Division does. Current Division pages will remain on line for one month to give users time to get used to the new site, then a re-direct page will be used. Division webmasters will continue to maintain their own web-based applications, such as the Crime Commission's Grants Management System, Emergency Management's EM-43, and the Highway Patrol's SHPintranet. I want to thank Mark McLeod of Information Systems, and Patty McQuillan and Reba Mason of Public Affairs for their dedication to creating the new webpage.

The Memorial Day weekend begins the summer travel season, and I hope each of you will take some time this year to enjoy North Carolina's 'variety vacationland' with your family. But let us also remember the reason we observe Memorial Day: to honor those who lost their lives in service to our nation. At a time when so many of our North Carolina troops are in harms way, please keep these brave men and women in your hearts and in your prayers. Thank you.

Bryan E. Beatty

From the Benefits and Safety Office and the Payroll Office

Changes are being made in the Great West Deferred Compensation 457 Plan which now shows up on your pay stub as *Deferred Comp (457)*. Beginning with the June 2004 payroll, deductions will be made instead for the Deferred Compensation Plan (Code 249) and the Loan Payment for Deferred Compensation (Code 093). The deductions will be automatically updated each month through the Central Payroll system by a transmittal from Great West. Once this process is in place, if you would like to cancel your premiums you will need to contact Great West directly to stop the deduction. Review your 249 and 093 deduction codes for accuracy on your June 2004 payroll check/stub. If there is a discrepancy, contact the Great West Plan administrator at 1-888-600-2763.

Comings & Goings

Welcome to our new employees: **Meredith Weinstein**, OE; **Rebecca Hutchinson**, ALE; **Angeline Mthenjane**, EM; **Minnie Barren**, **Tonishia Lockley**, and **Patricia Spears**, GCC; **Robert Jordan**, NCNG; **Lisa Conner**, **Brian Hardee**, **Patricia Levy**, **Terrina Simpson**, and **Mark Taylor**, SHP.

Good luck to our recent retirees: Officer **J.H. Smart** and ABS **Howard Yancey**, SHP.

Congratulations!

The following people have reached state government service milestones as of May 2004. Please congratulate these fellow CCPS employees on their achievements. 30 years: **Brenda Banks** and **William S. Martin, Jr.**; 25 years: **Pamela Kearns**, **Carole King**, and **Kathy Teeters**.

Division News

Alcohol Law Enforcement has begun its third year of conducting the “Keys to Life” program to deter teens from drinking and driving. The alcohol-awareness program is directed toward high school students and first-year college students, groups that are most often at risk of alcohol-related injuries and death during peak periods of celebration such as the prom, homecoming and graduation. ALE is also conducting tobacco forums around the state to bring together law enforcement agencies, substance abuse and public health professionals and retailers to help local efforts in reducing youth access to and use of tobacco products.

Nine future law enforcement officers received N.C. Police Corps Scholarships from **Law Enforcement Support Services** on May 13th. The college students receive financial aid in return for serving at least four years with a local police department in North Carolina after graduation.

Emergency Management welcomed the beginning of the 2004 hurricane season by conducting exercises in the Eastern and Central Branches. Among the activities taking place were communications checks of regular and satellite phones, amateur radio, faxes, and EM2000; evacuation decision making and coordination; landfall response; and post-storm response and recovery.

The **National Guard** has chosen Greenville as the headquarters for its new 42nd Weapons of Mass Destruction – Civil Support Team, which will aid local and state emergency responders in the event a terrorist attack or serious incident. The team will have a staff of 22 full-time Army and Air National Guard soldiers and airmen and should be in place by August.

Both **Alcohol Law Enforcement** and the **Civil Air Patrol** will be involved in the N.C. Special Olympics June 3-6. ALE is participating in the N.C. Law Enforcement Torch Run, which helps raise money for Special Olympics. The CAP Division and the N.C. CAP Wing will support the games with staff and volunteers working communications control and the two volleyball venues. The games will be held in the Raleigh area.

Date and Time for Future CCPS iForums

The next two live CCPS internet forums are scheduled. Any CCPS employee can participate on any computer that has internet access. Join the guests online at **12:00 pm** at www.nccrimecontrol.org/iforum.

Friday, May 28 – Human Resources Director Weldon Freeman and Benefits and Safety Director Captain Jamie Hatcher

Friday, June 11 – Secretary Bryan Beatty

Deployed NCNG Members to get ATM Fee Exemption

The State Employees' Credit Union (SECU) has voluntarily offered to exempt federally-activated soldiers and airmen from PLUS ATM fees if they are deployed to areas where they do not have access to a SECU ATM. This exemption does not include any fees that may be charged by the owner of the ATM being used. In order to take advantage of this program, an activated Guard member must be a SECU member, and must send some identification information to SECU. SECU has devised a method of identifying soldiers and airmen that does not give out information that could be damaging in the wrong hands but will allow them to be included in the program. Two business days are needed for processing the request. To be included, activated National Guard members should send the following paragraph with the blanks filled in to ncguard@ncsecu.org:

"I have been deployed to active duty with the North Carolina National Guard. Please exempt my SECU Debit Card number ending with XX- XXXX-XXXX (please provide last 10 digits) from PLUS ATM fees during my time of deployment. My last name is "XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX".