



# The CCPS All-Points Bulletin

**Mission: To reduce crime, enhance public safety and assist victims throughout North Carolina.**

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## *A Message from the Secretary*

By now, every CCPS employee should have received an email or a booklet and contribution form for the 2006 State Employees Combined Campaign. The SECC is the easiest way for state employees to support the charitable organizations of their choice. The SECC results in lower fundraising costs for charitable organizations and a higher percentage of each contribution is allocated to the programs that serve North Carolina residents. Whether to give, how much to give, and the choice of the organization to benefit from your contribution are entirely your decision, but I ask each of you to carefully consider making your charitable donations through the SECC. In 2005, our department's average annual gift was \$22 per employee. I know that CCPS employees are the kind of people who want to help others, because you wouldn't be working in this department if you didn't. Supporting charitable organizations through the SECC is one way you can do that. Please look at the SECC booklet, contact your Division Coordinator, or go to [www.nccrimecontrol.org](http://www.nccrimecontrol.org), click on "Employees" and then on "2006 State Employees Combined Campaign." All contribution forms must be turned in to Division Coordinators no later than October 27th. Thank you for making a difference.

*Bryan E. Beatty*

## *Congratulations!*

**Brandy Maynor** has been promoted to Accounting Technician II in the Fiscal Section/Accounts Payable. The following Highway Patrol employees were recently promoted to these new ranks: Lieutenants **B.L. Parham** and **R.V. West**; First Sergeants **J.B. Blackman**, **C.D. Gould, Jr.**, **A.T. Richardson**, and **C.J. Stephens**; Sergeants **R.S. Byers**, **D.B. Conley**, **T.T. Daniels**, **R.L. Deaton**, **F.C. Ferguson**, **C.P. Genaudeau**, **R.P. Hargrove**, **E.C. Harris**, **M.E. Landon**, and **A.T. Parrish**, **Raymond Bennett II** and **Rodney Brisson** to Telecommunications Shift Supervisors, and **Carolyn Highsmith** to Cook II.

Gov. Mike Easley presented the Legion of Merit to Major General **William E. Ingram, Jr.**, adjutant general of the National Guard, on September 12<sup>th</sup>. Ingram was recognized for his excellence in leadership from October 1, 2003, through May 31, 2004, during which time the 4,800 soldiers of the N.C. National Guard's 30th Heavy Separate Brigade were mobilized and reported for duty in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom. Ingram attended every unit's deployment ceremony.

Two employees recently received Gold Circle Awards from Sec. Beatty. Legislative Liaison **Cassandra White** was honored for her outstanding work at the General Assembly during the past session and preceding years. Internal Auditor **Courtney Michelle** was recognized for his overall outstanding work for the department and most recently for his recommendation on establishing new collection procedures at weigh stations.

The following employees reached significant service milestones recently in their state government careers: *20 years* – **Anthony Hill**, **Darlene Johnson** and **Michael Lanier**; *25 years* – **Marlon Crawford** and **Noel Wiseman**.

### *Comings and Goings*

Welcome to our new employees: **Robin Dail** and **Jonathan Clifton**, EM; **Candice Suggs**, Redevelopment Center; **Tamara Galloway**, **Jennifer Hodge**, **Bryan Lynch**, **LaTonya McKoy**, **Latisha Richardson**, **Wendy Stancil** and **Susan Wagner**, SHP.

Good luck and best wishes to our recent retirees: Sgt. **G.J. Cowan**, Off. W.L. Hawks, Jr., and Telecommunicator **Dietmar Weid**, SHP.

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### IN MEMORIAM

Our sympathies to the family and co-workers of Lieutenant **Denise Schmolke** of the Highway Patrol who passed away on August 27th.

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### *From the Benefits and Safety Office*

Recently passed legislation changed the rules for health insurance coverage after retirement for *new* state employees. In short, employees first hired **on or after October 1, 2006**,

- who retire with five but less than 10 years of service credit, will be eligible for State Health Plan coverage by paying the full premium.
- who retire with 10 but less than 20 years of service credit, will be eligible for State Health Plan coverage by paying 50% of the individual coverage premiums.
- who retire with 20 or more years of service credit, will have *individual* coverage with the State Health Plan at no cost.

There is no change in eligibility requirements for current state employees for health insurance coverage upon retirement. Five years of service is required to be eligible for health insurance coverage upon retirement. If you have questions, please feel free to contact the Benefits Office or go to the Benefits Section on the CCPS Employee website and click on "Retirement and Savings" and then "2006 Legislative Changes."

### *New Intelligence Analysis Center Opens*

Secretary Beatty joined Attorney General Roy Cooper, State Bureau of Investigation Director Robin Pendergraft, U.S. Attorney George Holding and North Carolina on September 19<sup>th</sup> at the opening of the state's new Information Sharing and Analysis Center (ISAAC). The Center's purpose is to help law enforcement gather and evaluate information on homeland security, criminal threats and gang activity. ISAAC is overseen by the SBI's Intelligence and Technical Services Section and includes representatives from various federal, state and local agencies including Alcohol Law Enforcement, Emergency Management, the Highway Patrol and the National Guard. Funding comes from the Governor's Crime Commission and U.S. Homeland Security.

### *Take the SmartCommute Challenge*

CCPS has been recognized as one of the "Best Workplaces for Commuters" by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. This honor is given to workplaces that encourage their employees to take the bus, carpool, vanpool, bike or walk to work instead of driving alone in your car. Thousands of Triangle commuters took the SmartCommute Challenge in September to try new ways of getting to work. Log on to [www.SmartCommuteChallenge.org](http://www.SmartCommuteChallenge.org) to take the Challenge and learn more about saving money and the environment. If you work outside the Triangle area please see the Share the Ride NC website at [www.sharetheridenc.com](http://www.sharetheridenc.com) for statewide programs or go to the CCPS Employees website and click on "Transportation Info."