



Citizen's Academy Alumni Association

June, 2016

FPD Assistant Chief Ed Gebhart presented the City of Fishers Crime Watch App during the Alumni June training session. The successful implementation of the CrimeWatch App has drawn the attention of police departments throughout the nation.

The App is available for both Android and iOS devices.

For more information, please view the website at

www.crimewatch.Fishers.IN.US



May, 2016

FPDCAA volunteers conducted another successful Fry's Electronics Hot Dog Sale to raise funds allowing Alumni to give back to our Police Officers, Our community and our High School seniors interested in pursuing education in the criminal justice profession. A special Thank You to Fry's for their continued support of our Association.

Thank you to Officer Mike Janes who conducted the Alumni May meeting training. Officer Janes presented some aspects of Criminal Law. Alumni looked at scenarios and tried to determine what laws were being broken and what course of action we would need to take if we were the officer on the scene.



January, 2016

FPD Captain Ed Gebhart presented the City of Fishers Crime Watch App during the Alumni January training, after our meeting. Fishers' residents will be able to submit suspicious behavior and other alerts directly to patrol officers by using the Crime Watch app. The app is not meant to take the place of emergency 911 calls. The App will be released soon.

December, 2015

Thank you to FPD Chief Kehl for a festive celebration and a wonderful holiday dinner for the alumni at our December meeting. We would also like to thank our 2015 officers for their service to the organization. Thank you President Dennis Shinault, Vice President George Martin, Secretary Stephanie Strodman, and Treasurer Jennifer Grillo.

Welcome to our 2016 officers: President Bill Titus, Vice President Jim Chrena, and continuing as Secretary Stephanie Strodman and Treasurer Jennifer Grillo.

The Grand Poobah/Volunteer of the Year award was presented to Bill Titus; congratulations and well earned, Bill!



Alumni volunteers wrapped gifts and served food at this years Cop For Kids event. The alumni would like to say "Great Job and Thank You" to the FPD Officers for a wonderful community event!

September, 2015

Thank you to Detective Mucha

After our September meeting, Detective Dean Mucha conducted Fraud and Identity Theft Training. Thank you for answering all our questions and for the handouts including "TAKE CHARGE What to do if Your Identity is Stolen."



June, 2015

Thank you

Officer Owens with K-9 Bull and Officer Koopman with K-9 Harlej conducted a K-9 meet, greet and demonstration after our June meeting. The Officers graciously answered our questions as the K-9's demonstrated their skills.



May, 2015

Thank you to Fry's Electronics

Happy Anniversary and Thank you to Fry's Electronics for allowing us to take part in your 30th Anniversary Celebration. Thank you to everyone who volunteered and especially to all those who supported our annual

fundraiser; the Hot Dog sale at Fry's. Once again, Fry's supplied all the products that we sold, and we were able to keep all the funds raised. As you all know, we use the funds raised for Law Enforcement Scholarships, K9 armor and in other ways to support the Fishers Police Department.

April 23, 2015

Thank you to Judge Daniel Henke

Our April 23rd meeting was held in the Fishers City Courtroom, where Judge Henke presented an overview of the City Court. We would like to thank Judge Henke for the time he took to address our group and answer all our questions. It was a fun and informative look at our city's judicial system at work.



January 22, 2015

Thank you to Fishers Police Department CSI unit.

The January 22nd training session following our meeting featured 2 mock crime scenes for the alumni to investigate and process. The alumni present dusted for fingerprints, lifted the found fingerprints from a car, and collected evidence. They were shown how to bag and tag evidence, maintain the proper chain of evidence, and how to document each item. They also learned about camera exposure in order to properly document all evidence tags

May, 2014

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February 22, 2014

Congratulations to a FPD Hero



Sergeant Troy Fettinger was conducting a security check at the Fishers Junior High School when he observed a 12 year old boy collapse. Sergeant Fettinger immediately radioed for medics and additional police officers and then rushed onto the court where he found the boy was unresponsive and not breathing. A Community Hospital Emergency Room Doctor came out of the crowd to assist and CPR was initiated. Sergeant Fettinger ran to his police vehicle, retrieved his Automated External Defibrillator (AED), and returned to the boy. Sergeant Fettinger placed the AED pads on the boy and a shock was advised. One shock was delivered and CPR continued until Paramedics, from Fishers Department of Fire and EMS, arrived and transported the boy to IU Health at Saxony Hospital. A heartbeat returned and the boy began to breathe on his own. At

the hospital the boy became more responsive and later in the day was transported to Riley Children's Hospital where he continues to recover. When the boy's mother arrived at the IU Health at Saxony emergency room Dr. Arora introduced her to Sergeant Fettinger and stated "This officer saved your child's life."

February, 2014



Congratulations to Officer Ryan Jones and K-9 Arrack, the 2013 recipients of the Fishers Police Department Chief's Awards. FPD Chief of Police George Kehl presents this award annually to an officer who continuously goes above and beyond the call of duty, is a role model for other officers, and has made many accomplishments throughout the year.

In 2013, Officer Jones and Arrack apprehended several criminals within Fishers and also assisted neighboring police agencies with the tracking and apprehension of criminals wanted in other jurisdictions. Many times the two have tracked over long distances and in extreme weather conditions outlasting other K-9 teams working in similar circumstances. They are also tasked with narcotic detection, recovering missing persons and property, as well as participating in public relations functions.

January 23, 2014

Thank you to FPD Sgt. Matt Simmonds for presenting information about Active Shooter Response (A.L.I.C.E) training. We appreciate all the actions that the officers take to keep us safe and informed!

December 5, 2013

FPD Chief Kehl set the tone for a festive celebration by providing a wonderful holiday dinner for the alumni at our December meeting. Thank you Chief Kehl!

We would also like to thank our 2013 officers for their service to the organization. Thank you President, Ed Benz, Vice President, Bill Titus, Secretary, Rita Fugit, Treasurer, Jennifer Grillo. Welcome to our 2014 officers: President, Bill Titus, Vice President, Dennis Shinault, Secretary, Stephanie Strodman, and continuing as Treasurer, Jennifer Grillo.

The Grand Poobah/Volunteer of the Year award was presented to Rita Fugit; congratulations and well earned, Rita!



The 2013 Cops for Kids Holiday Event was held in December. Thank you to everyone that volunteered. You helped make this day a special one for the kids!



September 19, 2013

During our meeting, Lieutenant Dave Seward of the crisis negotiation team presented a report on

the team's duties and experiences. Many thanks to Lt. Seward for an interesting presentation.



June 29 & 30, 2013

Thank you to everyone who volunteered at the 2013 Fishers Freedom Festival. A special THANKS to the brave FPD officers who volunteered for the Dunk Tank – you made our fundraiser a success!

After the Festival, the Alumni hosted a cook-out for the winning team of officers, to show our appreciation for serving in the dunk tank. Thank you to Rita for taking photos during the cook-out.



May 4, 2013

Thank you to the Alumni volunteers who contributed to making our FPD Open House a huge success! Congratulations and big thank-you's to everyone who contributed time to this effort. The public reaction was awesome! Everyone was so appreciative of the efforts made by the Fishers Police Department to show the community what the police department does.

A special THANK YOU to KROGER for providing refreshments and volunteers to serve dessert!

May 17-18, 2013

To everyone who volunteered at the Fry's Hot Dog Sale, Thank you! The sale was a huge success! Several volunteers worked two shifts. A special kudo to Demaris Stewart for working both days all day!



April, 2013

After our meeting, Lt. Cameron Ellison and Sgt. Ryan Pac conducted an Active Shooter presentation and answered alumni questions about various situations that may arise. A video that can be seen on YouTube was viewed, "Run – Hide – Fight: Surviving an Active Shooter Event." Thank you to all first responders and stay safe!

January, 2013

Officers Tony David, Ryan Jones, and Sam Ralph accompanied by retired police dog Astor presented a plaque to CPAAA President Ed Benz and the alumni in appreciation for alumni

efforts and donations. Officer Ralph shared his police dog training experience with the alumni.

December, 2012

FPD Chief Kehl hosted a fantastic Christmas Party for our Citizens Academy Alumni Association. We especially enjoyed meeting Chief Kehl and wife Jennifer at the event.



A special thank you to FPD Officer Chris Owens and high school students, Jeff Spott and Michael Wooden; who produced a video highlighting the Fishers Police Department Citizens Academy classes available to Fishers residents.

Congratulations to our newly elected board:

Ed Benz, president; Bill Titus, vice president; Rita Fugit will continue as secretary, and Jennifer Grillo will again serve as treasurer.

Thank you to former president, Deta Lasley, (pictured with FPD K9 Igor) for her service to the Alumni Association.



September, 2012

Judge Daniel Henke presented enjoyable and enlightening information on the Fishers Town Court, located in the Fishers Train Station. (11601 Municipal Dr., Suite 100)



The Fishers Town Court constitutes the judicial branch of town government and is a court of limited jurisdiction, handling town ordinance violations, parking violations and infraction violations.



August 19, 2012

Fishers cares enough to wear pink and celebrate the life of FPD Detective Leslie Hulse. The new pink fire truck "Leslie" was dedicated in memory of "our" Leslie. Thank you to the many volunteers who helped with the day's events. The funds raised will help support local women who may need assistance as they battle any one of several forms of cancer.

Congratulations - June 23, 2012

Art Henning received The William D. Kehl Jr. Volunteer of the Year award at the Freedom Festival. The award champions the outstanding efforts of a Town of Fishers resident.

Congratulations, Art!

Thank you to Deputy Fire Marshal Ron Lipps for the photos.





June 23, 2012

Thank you to all the volunteers who helped make the Town of Fishers Freedom Festival a fun filled event. FPDCAAA volunteers did our part by creating give-away bags for the FPD Information booth, handing out bags and books, and holding a dunk tank fund raiser. A special thanks to all the officers who volunteered to be dunked! Great job to all the first responders for helping to make this a safe and fun event for all.

June, 2012.

Our Alumni Training consisted of meeting and talking with canine handlers Officers Sam Ralph and Tony David and seeing their dogs, Bas and Igor, in action. We are especially thankful to them for conducting Alumni training after their own 12 hour K9 training event on a hot and humid day.



The first Fishers Police Department Open House was held to May 5, 2012. Congratulations to the officers who demonstrated their skill and willingness to help keep our community safe. Thank you to Kroger for providing food and refreshments and the Alumni volunteers who helped set up refreshments, served hot dogs and dessert, and conducted tours.



May 18 & 19, 2012.

Once again Fry's Electronics Store in Fishers hosted the Fry's Hot Dog Sale to benefit our scholarship fund. Thank you Fry's for donating the food and facilities! To everyone who took part in the Fry's hot dog sale cooking, running errands, replenishing ice, taking money, handing out hot dogs, working more than one shift -- this huge thank you is for you!



This is our largest fundraiser and helps our group donate an annual scholarship to a Fishers High School senior interested in a Criminal Justice/Law enforcement degree. A special thanks to alumni Demaris Stewart for taking and sharing photos of the event.

March, 2012

A STOPS training session for alumni was conducted by Officer Bob Gaines and two other officers after our March meeting. Thank you to the officers for taking time to do this training demo. Officer Jim Hawkins for setting up a fingerprinting lab in the police garage, after our January meeting. Members got to use several techniques for lifting fingerprints. Our alumni give a big thank you to Officer Hawkins for doing this!

2012

The Town of Fishers has been named *Safest Place to Live in the United States* by CQ Press in their City Crime Rankings 2011-2012: Crime in Metropolitan America report. Congratulations from

all of us to Chief Kehl and the members of the Fishers Police Department. We know how much all of you care about our community, and all the hard work you do! This is a well deserved honor.

January, 2012

Thank you to the 2011 Alumni Board for their service to the Alumni Association: President Joyce Shinault, Vice President Deta Lasley, Secretary Shannon Murray, and Treasurer Jennifer Grillo. We value your contribution to the association. We would also like to welcome the newly elected 2012 Board: Congratulations to President Deta Lasley, Vice President Ed Benz, Secretary Rita Fugit, and Treasurer Jen Grillo.

September, 2011

Our appreciation goes out to Detective Brooks for his information packed presentation on Internet Safety. A few of us went home and immediately check our privacy settings on some online accounts. But more to the point, Thank You to Detective Brooks and the other officers who work to keep our community safe.

July, 2011

The FPDCAAA would like to thank all Fishers Freedom Festival volunteers and offer a special Thanks to the FPD Officers who braved the strong pitching arms of Fisher's youngsters and the cold water of the dunk tank, in order to help us raise funds for our programs and scholarship awards.



June, 2011

The FPDCAAA would like to thank K9 Officer Tony David and K9 Officer Ryan Jones for introducing us to their new partners, Igor and Arrak, during our June meeting.

As always, the alumni had a lot of questions which were answered by the officers or demonstrated by the police canines. Thank you, you made our meeting great!



May, 2011

The FPDCAAA would like to offer a special Thanks to Fry's Electronics, Inc. and store manager Michelle Amarino for taking the time and effort to make the Fry's Hog Dog Sale a FPDCAAA fundraising success! Over \$700 dollars will go towards the annual scholarship we offer to a Hamilton Southeastern/Fishers High School senior.



Thank you to FPD Chief Kehl, Fishers Police Department officers, the Fishers Fire Department, Town of Fishers personnel, Fry's staff, and everyone in the community who dropped by, bought a dog and donated to our cause.

March, 2011



The FPDCAA would like to thank Sgt. Brad Myers for the overview and demonstration of tactical rigging and rappelling skills used by FPD. Also, thank you to Lt. Cameron Ellison who helped with the demonstration. Both officers patiently answered alumni questions about the climbing rope, various knots, and anchor points. The local "Y" served as the Rappel Tower. One "take-away" fact; in a life-saving situation, once the team is on a roof, they can rig up and rappel down a building in less than 2 minutes!



January 13, 2011

The FPDCAA would like to thank Lori Spillane, who presented an overview of the law school experience, exam and typical law school class. Lori's presentation involved case law examples, a quiz, and law themed book and DVD prizes!!! The packed training room was a good indication of how much we enjoyed the presentation. Thanks again, Lori!

December, 2010

To the entire Fishers Police Department, Police Chief Kehl, officers, and civilians: Thank you for protecting our community. Thank you for putting your lives in harm's way every day to keep us safe. We want you to know that we appreciate everything you do for us. So from all of us at the alumni association – Thanks and enjoy a happy and safe holiday season.

Also, thank you to the 2010 Alumni Board for their service to the Alumni Association. Board members were Liz Mikesell, President; Joyce Shinault, Vice President; Shannon Murray, Secretary; and Jen Grillo, Treasurer. We value your contribution to the association. We would also like to welcome the newly elected 2011 Board: Joyce Shinault, President; Deta Lasley, Vice President; Shannon Murray, Secretary; and Jennifer Grillo, Treasurer.

June 26 & 27, 2010

All Fishers Freedom Festival volunteers





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May 14 – 16, 2010

Fry's Electronics, Inc.



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Also, thank you to the Fishers Firefighters, Fishers Police officers, Town of Fishers employees, Fry's employees and everyone else who brought their hungry appetites, bought "the best lunch in town" and supported us. You were all great!

March, 2010

Sergeant Randy McFarland and the Catch and Release program where students benefit from time spent fishing with a positive role model. We support your efforts!

February, 2010

All the ERT members for playing us and the Alumni members who participated in the HSEHS dodgeball tournament, held Wednesday Jan. 27th at 7pm The games were supposed to be the best 2 out of 3. The first game went back and forth a bit, but the ERT team pulled it out. The second game was ridiculously fast. The ERT team smoked everyone right off the bat. The ERT team obviously didn't satisfy their hunger because they then changed it to the best 3 out of 5. The Alumni came together and won the next two games. It came down to the fifth and final game. ERT came back with a strong win. Congratulations to all!

December, 2009

...the 2009 Alumni Board officers: Sonny Kendzierski, President; Liz Mikesell, Vice-President; Rita Fugit, Secretary; and Jennifer Grillo, Treasurer. All of you did a terrific job this year, thank you for serving so well!

Welcome to the newly elected board for 2010: Liz Mikesell, President; Joyce Shinault, Vice-President; Shannon Murray, Secretary; and Jennifer Grillo, Treasurer.

September 24, 2009



Sgt. Pat Ryan Pack for his presentation on self-defense and situation awareness during the Sept. 24th meeting. Even when the power went out, the presentation continued by flashlight.

August 8, 2009



...the Fishers Police Department hosted their second annual Citizen's Academy Ice Cream Social. Handel's provided all ice cream and toppings. Graduates of the FPD Citizen's Academy and their

families were invited and enjoyed the ice cream social and K-9 demonstration. Thank you, FPD, from the alumni association!

May 15th, 16th, and 17th, 2009

The FPDCAAA would like to thank Fry's Electronics, Inc.; store manager Michelle Amarino, along with Melody Fannin and Jason Hunter, for taking the time and effort to make the Fry's Hog Dog Sale a FPDCAAA fundraising success! We are thankful that Fry's donates everything -including hot dogs, drinks, grills, and location, which means that all the funds raised go toward our programs and scholarship awards.

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March 26, 2009

The FPDCAAA would like to thank Fishers Community Prosecutor Lori Spillane and Chief Deputy Prosecutor Cindy Crispin, Det. Mike Pederson and Det. Sgt. Andy Setmeyer for taking the time and effort to recreate and explain the jury trial of the famous Lindbergh case at our last meeting.

Six jurors (alumni members) were chosen and interviewed. Detectives were called as witnesses. Afterwards, Ms. Spillane presented the jury members with a copy of the book The Lindbergh Case. Members who were present obviously enjoyed the interesting facts of the case, and jury trials, related by both Ms. Spillane and Ms. Crispin. -30-