

### Chief's Corner

Greetings! As we strive to address the ongoing concerns in our neighborhoods, I'd like to encourage everyone to utilize our Anonymous Tip Hotline as an additional method of sharing information. The hotline is directly to the Chief of Police where callers must leave a voicemail message. Information is retrieved from the message, prioritized and responded to as quickly as possible. Do not use the hotline for emergencies or crimes in-progress. Anonymous Hotline: (708) 206-2899

Lastly, the CCHPD recently held its first department-wide meeting for 2020. Along with outlining goals and objectives, personnel also discussed matters related to employee wellness and professional development.

Respectfully, Chief John Galvin

# The D.C's Spotlight



Bonnie Jones has been a Community Service Officer since 2001. She currently serves as the department's Property & Evidence Technician, and a member of the Country Club Hills Honor Guard. Bonnie "loves the research involved with handling evidence and crime scenes". Thank you Bonnie for your service.

Post by
Deputy Chief Kevin Richmond

## **Department News**

The CCHPD has responded to several vehicle collisions and motorist assists as a result of recent weather conditions. Winter driving conditions can turn treacherous in an instant. Snow, ice, poor visibility and extreme cold can disable your vehicle or make roads impassable.

Although most people heed warnings and stay off the roads when a storm is bearing down, we encourage all to be prepared when that is not possible.

- Check tire pressure, tread life and consider installing winter tires.
- Inspect wiper blades, antifreeze fluid levels and change the oil.

- Allow more time for braking; keep good distance from other vehicles.
- Reduce speed on icy roads; avoid bridges.

#### Announcements

- Det. Sgt. Wilson and Det. Janoski have successfully completed training as certified lead homicide investigators.
- Det. Chambliss, Ofc. Harris and Ofc. Rodriguez have successfully passed the sergeant's promotional exam and have been placed on the eligibility list.
- CCHPD officers will be participating in the Polar Plunge fundraiser for the Special Olympics on March 7th at Lake Manteno.

# **Crime Prevention Tips**

During this time of year we often see an increase in <u>tax fraud</u> and various forms of scams. Please keep these suggestions in mind:

 Don't give personal information out to anyone attempting to contact you unless you have initiated the contact or you are sure you know who you are dealing with.

- No legitimate IRS official will demand payments via gift cards, MoneyGram, bank wire transfers, or bank deposits be made into another person's account for any debt.
- Before giving money or personal information, slow down, check out the story, do an online search and talk to an expert or friend.

# **Monthly Crime Stats**

Calls for Service	<b>Jan.</b>   1,213
Arrests	<b>Jan.</b>   56

Crime	Dec.	Jan.	Crime	Dec.	Jan.
Murder	0	0	Burglary (non-vehicle)	3	2
Criminal Sexual Assault	1	2	Theft	39	21
Robbery	1	0	Motor Vehicle Theft	6	4
Aggravated Battery / Battery	2	5	Arson	0	0



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