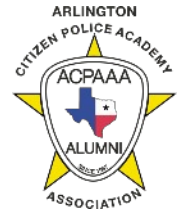




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BOD Meeting - 6:30 PM
Thursday August 6, 2020
South Station

Membership Meeting 7:00 PM
Thursday August 13, 2020
West Station

Chief for A Day

CHIEF FOR A DAY: About two months ago, 11-year-old Kai Copeland and his family attended a community event hosted by Cornerstone TX church here in #Arlington X called "We are Related." It was an opportunity for citizens to meet with city & police leaders and have a conversation about equity, justice, and community / police relations. Kai got emotional as he listened to the speakers -- and was in need of an embrace. Interim Chief Jaime Ayala happened to be nearby, so Kai went up to him, and the two shared a hug. Interim Chief Ayala was so moved and so impressed that an 11-year-old would take such interest in these important topics, that he invited him to be "Chief for the Day" here in Arlington. On June 22, Chief Kai and his family came to APD headquarters, where he took his oath of office -- then spent time with Interim Chief Ayala, asking questions about the department and learning about the decisions a police chief makes. Afterward, he and his family got a tour of the station -- and got to check out one of our SWAT vehicles, as well as our Emergency Operations Center. We thank Chief Kai and his family for stopping by, for their thoughtful questions, and for working to make their community a better place!

Inside the APD

Click on (or copy and paste the URL into your internet browser) to view the video "Inside APD July 2020: The APD Way"

<https://youtu.be/r7KjMEfjCBs?list=PLAE30C2E2CAC9A05A>

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Message from the President

Members, I cannot remember a year with as much confusion, emotion, uncertainty, anxiety, and fear as we are experiencing in 2020. All of that being said, we can still remain confident with our city leaders and Arlington PD that we will be protected as much as humanly possible

Granted, there is a lot going on around the country but, we have the best leadership in the country right here in Arlington, Texas. We also have the best scientists in the world in the USA and, if we follow their advice, we will come out of this sooner than later. Yes, it has been difficult, and will probably continue to be for a while, but we are strong, and can weather the storm together. The really good news is, God never gives us more than we can handle.

I really miss our meetings and am sure most of you do as well. Hopefully those will begin again soon. This all depends on the level of Covid-19 in the city and the APD as far as access into the stations. In the interim, please keep prayers going for the safety of our officers out there on the streets. Prayers also continue for each and every member of our association for your safety and well-being.

I hope you are finding ways to entertain yourselves during these semi lock down times. Reading, puzzles, family times, home projects and other creative activities. As long as we have our health, our families, homes, food on the table, etc., we have plenty to be thankful for and more to smile about than to frown upon. We can do this, we can get through this, we can do anything we set our minds to do.

I quote," The mind, properly controlled, can do just about everything. You can think your way through adversity, you can think your way through problems. It is a super powerful instrument which so few use to maximum. And if the mind thinks with a believing attitude, one can do amazing things" Norman Vincent Peale

I hope each of you were able to attend one of the virtual town hall and listening sessions put on by the APD. Interim chief Jaime Ayala spoke so elegantly, and it was so obvious that he really knows the policies and procedures of the APD quite well. He has the heart of the citizens, and our communities foremost in his mind in all that he and his officers do. We are so blessed to have the police department that we have. We are further blessed to have officer Tim Hayden as our APD liaison.

Please know that if you have any concerns, questions, comments that I and any board member, stand ready to respond to any request you may have. You will find all of our contact information on any of the monthly newslink articles.

Until we meet again, stay happy, healthy and above all, stay safe.

Bill Jezek
President ACPAAA



AARP Fraud Watch Network

Who To Contact

There are a number of places you can turn to if you or someone you love has been a victim of fraud or identity theft or if you are just looking to learn more about how to safeguard against them:

Fraud Watch Network

The AARP Fraud Watch Network provides you with access to information about identity theft, investment fraud and the latest scams. Access online at: aarp.org/fraudwatchnetwork

Fraud Watch Network Helpline

Highly trained AARP Fraud Watch Network Helpline volunteers are standing by to offer peer counseling, support and referral services to fraud victims and their family members. Call toll-free: **877-908-3360**

The National Association of Attorneys General (NAAG)

The NAAG site provides contact information for all state attorneys general. Most state attorneys general welcome consumer inquiries and complaints about frauds occurring in the marketplace and many offer complaint mediation services as well. Access online at: naag.org

FINRA Investor Education

The FINRA Investor Education Foundation provides critical information about how to avoid investment fraud, including allowing you to check to see if a broker or a particular investment advisor is registered. It is particularly helpful in addressing a variety of investment frauds such as gold coins and oil and gas scams. Access online at: saveandinvest.org



The North American Securities Administrators Association (NASAA)

This website is where you can find your local state securities regulator, who takes complaints against brokers and dealers that may have engaged in investment fraud. Find your regulator online at: nasaa.org

U.S. Postal Inspection Services

This site, sponsored by the U.S. Postal Inspection Service, has information about how to protect yourself from mail fraud and how to identify when you've been targeted. Access online at: deliveringtrust.com

Federal Trade Commission (FTC) Consumer Help

Call the Federal Trade Commission to file a complaint against a company if you feel you have been defrauded. Call toll-free **877-701-9595** or visit ftccomplaintassistant.gov

Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC)

The SEC is a good resource for checking up on an investment adviser and investment products. Call toll-free **800-SEC-0330** or visit sec.gov/investor or investor.gov

Consumer Financial Protection Bureau

If you have a complaint about fraudulent activity involving a bank account or service, credit reporting, debt collection, among other areas, contact the CFPB to file a complaint File online at: consumerfinance.gov/complaint

National Association of Insurance Commissioners

Visit the NAIC website if you want to reach a state insurance agency about an insurance product or salesperson. Find your state at: naic.org/state_web_map

Commodity Futures Trading Commission (CFTC)

The CFTC can assist with problems in commodity futures, precious metals, and foreign currency trading. Call **866-366-2382** or visit cftc.gov/consumerprotection