

# THE VOLUNTEER

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## FUTURE EVENTS

Football  
Games  
9/3; 9/17;  
10/1; 10/8;  
and 10/22

Hot Dog  
Sale  
9/11



Pumpkin Patrol  
Bag Packing  
10/23

# One on One with BDP Intern, Brandon Betzel

During several weeks in May, Brunswick High School senior, Brandon Betzel completed an internship with the Brunswick Division of Police. Below Brandon shares information related to this experience and his interests in a criminal justice career.

Why are you interning with the Brunswick Division of Police? What is expected of you by your school in doing this internship?

I did the internship as part of a early internship program given to me by Brunswick High School. What is expected of me is not only to learn from the department, but also to build future success. Notes and evidence is also expected to be brought back to the high school where a presentation will be done.

What do you, personally, hope to gain from doing this internship?

My goal was to, first hand, see what it is really like to be a police officer or be part of the department. Most of what I have seen, as an everyday citizen, is what is on television. After this internship, I realized there is much more to policing than that TV image, including the stress, the arguments, and the joking around in the department that I witnessed.

What other police related activities have you participated in?

In summer of 2009, I had spent five days in Columbus, OH, at the Ohio State Highway Patrol Academy's Junior Cadet Week. This academy gave about 25 of us a taste of what the patrol entails and the different sections within it. Eating, sleeping and running at six o'clock in the morning were just some of the perks of being at the academy. Also, when I was in eighth grade, I helped the Brunswick Hills Police Department with their Bike Rodeo (now Kid's Carnival). I helped with everything from making snow cones, inspecting bikes, and monitoring the kids on inflatables.

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# MEETING INFO

## Executive Board Meeting: 6/17/1010

After opening the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance at 7:00 p.m., President David Linderman provided the following information:

- Two summer interns, John Eggleston and Christine Bartholomew, will be with the Department this summer.
- Offered information on the various duties that volunteers will be participating in during Old Fashioned Days.
- Mentioned that Wendy Linderman is still looking for someone to train to help with Project Lifesaver computer work.

Karen Nelson informed the Board that she took down the Click It or Ticket signs and returned them to the Department.

Dave Linderman notified the group that he and Tushar Amin had finished a 10 week CERT training course.

Summer meeting dates were decided: The Board will meet on July 22nd; there will be no Members' Meeting. August meetings will be held on August 19th at 7:00 p.m. and 7:30 p.m.

It was decided that if there is to be picnic, it would be in September.

All were informed that Shirley (Burdecki) Schuster married Officer Bucky Schuster on June 5th.

## Members' Meeting: 6/17/2010

14 members and guests attended this meeting led by President Dave Linderman who opened the proceedings with the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance at 7:35 p.m. After a motion to accept the Secretary's reports from April and May 2010, it was reported that the treasury now has \$1,478.76.

Christine Bartholomew and David Eggleston, summer interns, were introduced to the group.

Wendy Linderman reported that she would be interviewing a possible client on Friday, is still managing the three clients that have been with PL for some time, and she also asked for a volunteer to help with computer data entering for the program.

Dave Linderman congratulated the group on a good month of volunteering in May. Volunteers could be found helping with Shredding Day, Operation Cracker Jaxx, the Click It or Ticket Program, as well as an Eagles benefit to earn money for the Department's team that will Pedaling to the Point later this summer.

Information was provided on the various volunteer opportunities for Old Fashioned Days. Members signed up for these details.

Mention was made that volunteers will be needed for the annual Buehler's Hot Dog Sale in September.

It was announced that Dave Linderman and Tushar Amin had completed a 10 week CERT program at Southwest Hospital and that the program will be offered in the Fall.

Those who did not already know, were introduced to Shirley Schuster (the former Shirley Burdecki) who married Officer Bucky Schuster on June 5th.

It was announced that there will be NO Member's Meeting in July

The meeting ended at 8:10 p.m.

# VOLUNTEER SERVICE HOURS 2010

JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	TOTAL	*See note	\$\$\$\$
117	104.5	241.5	125	222	193							1003	\$19.66	\$19,718.98

\*This value (\$19.66) is the average of the national volunteer hour value & that of the volunteer hour value for the State of Ohio.

Year	# of Hours	Dollar Value
2006	1783	28,706.30
2007	2809	52,724.93
2008	3506	65,807.62
2009	3251	62,159.12

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TEAMWORK



**MEMBERS MEETING**  
City Hall Meeting Room  
August 19  
7:30 p.m.

**BOARD MEETING**  
City Hall Meeting Room  
July 22  
7:00 p.m.

**2010 BCPAAA Executive Board**

President: Dave Linderman  
Vice. President: Bob Wasil  
Treasurer: Millie Manning  
Secretary: Sue Esker

Trustees  
Richard Atkinson, Shirley Burdecki, Linda Glassburn, Gordon Kolus, and Karen Nelson

Coordinator: Emil Stecki

# VOLUNTEER OPS V.I.A.

## VOLUNTEERS in ACTION

<b>Mayor's Court</b>	Most Tuesdays
HS Football Parking Duty	9/3, 9/17, 10/1 10/8, and 10/22
Hot Dog Sale	September 11
Pumpkin Patrol	October

**Mayor's Court** - During the month of June six volunteers could be found at the sign-in desk during five sessions of court.

**St. Ambrose 5K Run** - Volunteers helped Sgt. Darin Lubinsky and other BDP personnel in maintaining traffic control for this annual fundraiser.

**Click It or Ticket** - Although, in spirit, Click It or Ticket is a year round program, the official campaign ended June 6th with a AAA volunteer removing the signs posted throughout the city.

**Operation Cracker Jaxx** - Five volunteers helped with successful drug raid (See page 4.).

**F.A.C.T.** - The Children's Rights Council and Oaks Family Care Center held a Legal Clinic on Wednesday, June 9th. Ten parents were in attendance to hear Attorney Richard Barbera discuss shared parenting and child support information.

A few BCPAAA members are continuing their FACT training in Domestic Violence with Rebecca Rak.

**Old Fashioned Days** - 11 different AA A volunteers and BDP intern, Dave Eggleston, helped provide support to the members of the Police Department and the Communications staff at various Old Fashioned Days activities.



Best wishes to BCPAAA'er Shirley Schuster (Burdecki) who married BDP Officer Bucky Schuster on June 5th.

Way ta go, gentlemen! AAA'ers DAVE LINDERMAN and TUSHAR AMIN recently completed a 10 week Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) course and received certificates acknowledging their efforts.

### CONGRATS! RICHARD ATKINSON

On Wednesday, May 26, 2010 at Weymouth Country Club, BCPAAA Board member, RICHARD ATKINSON was recognized as a 2009-2010 Spotlight Volunteer by the United Way. Because of his efforts, Richard was tapped as the Northern Medina County Salvation Army Volunteer of the Year.



## OPERATION CRACKER JAXX

David B. Smith, Director of the MEDWAY Drug Enforcement Agency, provided the following information concerning the May 26th drug enforcement round-up throughout the area. Five BCPAAA volunteers helped at the F.O.P. Lodge by helping Medway personnel.

The MEDWAY Drug Enforcement Agency concluded a nine month drug investigation in and around the City of Brunswick, Medina County, Ohio on Wednesday May 26<sup>th</sup>, 2010. During the course of the investigation a variety of drugs were purchased which included, Cocaine, Crack Cocaine, Heroin, Ecstasy (MDMA), Marihuana and a large amount of Prescription Drugs. Eight arrest teams attempted to serve forty nine (49) Warrants on Indictment. By the end of the evening thirty-two (32) defendants were in custody. Drugs were seized at some of the arrest locations with additional charges to be filed. The Round-up was very successful and was the cooperative effort of twenty-one (21) law enforcement agencies that support the MEDWAY Drug Enforcement Agency. Assisting agencies included:

APPLE CREEK POLICE DEPARTMENT  
 BROOK PARK POLICE DEPARTMENT  
 BRUNSWICK DIVISION OF POLICE  
 BRUNSWICK HILLS POLICE DEPARTMENT  
 CRESTON POLICE DEPARTMENT  
 DALTON POLICE DEPARTMENT  
 HOLMES COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE  
 MARION COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE  
 MARSHALLVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT  
 MEDINA COUNTY DRUG TASK FORCE  
 MEDINA POLICE DEPARTMENT  
 ORRVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT  
 NORTH ROYALTON POLICE DEPARTMENT  
 RITTMAN POLICE DEPARTMENT  
 SHREVE POLICE DEPARTMENT  
 STRONGSVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT  
 UNITED STATES MARSHALL SERVICE  
 WADSWORTH POLICE DEPARTMENT  
 WAYNE COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE  
 WOOSTER POLICE DEPARTMENT

The investigation continues with additional arrests pending.

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What have you chosen as your college major and why did you choose it?

Criminal Justice/Political Science. I choose these concentrations because they will be most beneficial in helping me with my career path to becoming a law enforcement officer.

What are your plans after graduating from college?

After college, I hope to obtain a job with a law enforcement agency of some sort (It is difficult to say exactly which one, because the competition is so great). After my initial goal is accomplished, I **hope to join the city's or district's S.W.A.T. team.** However, the future is not something one can predict, only strive for.

How would you summarize your internship experiences?

To say the least, it was the concrete that sealed my belief in wanting to become a law enforcement officer. It was a very intellectual and functional experience. I am glad that I had the privilege to be along side the officers of Brunswick and be able to ask any questions that I wanted (and most could be answered). I just wish it was longer so that I could gain more knowledge about different sections instead of just one day for each. All in all, it was a great experience, that [hopefully] will lead me to a future as an officer.



Brandon Betzel, a 2010 Brunswick High School honors graduate, will be attending the University of Akron for criminal justice and political science in the Fall of 2010 where he plans to obtain a minor in law enforcement.

Brandon lives with his mother and father and has one sibling, a brother. His interests include playing backyard sports with friends, surfing the internet, and shooting.

