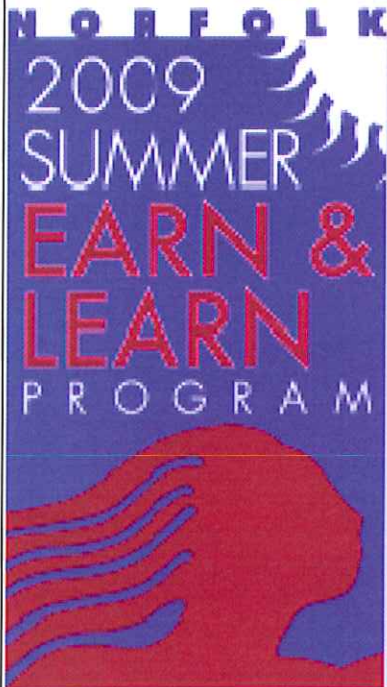


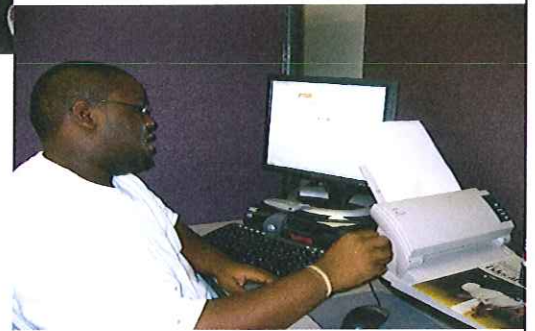
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NORFOLK 2009 SUMMER EARN AND LEARN PROGRAM



The City of Norfolk is gearing up for the 2009 Summer Earn and Learn Program. This opportunity to gain main meaningful work experience, and learn about public and private service careers begins on June 22nd and ends August 14th. This program is designed to provide Norfolk youth with summer jobs and community service experience, as well as work readiness skills. All Norfolk youth ages fourteen (14) to nineteen (19) who are not attending any other summer program/camp are eligible to apply online at: www.norfolk.gov/jobs or at the Employment Training Center at 520 E Main Street. Additionally Norfolk youth with physical disabilities are encouraged to apply. Please join us on April 11, 2009 from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00p.m. at the Scope for the Job Fair.



COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Teen Leadership Council

Monday March 30, 2009 4:00 p.m.—5:00 p.m.

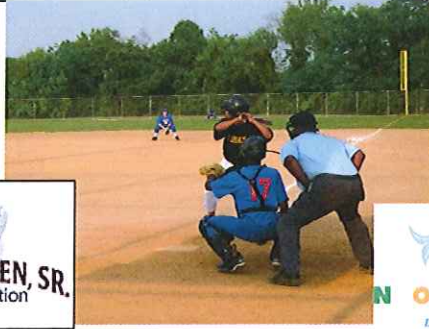
Little Creek Branch Library



Hang out with friends. Watch a movie! Teen Movie Night! Bring a comfy chair and your favorite movie snacks



BADGES FOR BASEBALL



In 2007, the Cal Ripken Sr. Foundation in conjunction with the Virginia Office of the Attorney General launched the *Virginia Badges for Baseball* program. This community crime prevention model uses baseball, softball and "Quickball" to prevent juvenile delinquency and crime by providing healthy out-of-school activities. *Badges for Baseball* is a community initiative that uses baseball to prevent crime and disorder by encouraging healthy out-of-school activities that improve relationships between law enforcement personnel and disadvantaged youth. Norfolk Police Officers act as mentors and role models for the youth who participate in the program. The officers teach life skills, which will improve and educate the lives of participating children. Officers educate the youths in gang awareness, drug awareness and crime prevention in an environment of cooperation, collaboration and mutual respect.

Eligibility: Boys and Girls, ages 5–15 living in Norfolk, are eligible to participate in the program.

For further information contact: Mr. Croom at (757) 441-5834.



SECOND PATROL PRO-ACTIVE ENFORCEMENT ACTIVITIES

Denby Park Project Focus Area had reported crimes for the month of February. There were no violent crimes reported this month. The Patrol Division had a productive month, enforcement actions for February 2009 include:

- 5 Felony Arrests
- 9 Misdemeanor Arrests
- 10 Misdemeanor Summons
- 82 Traffic Summons
- 60 Field Interviews
- 12 Parking Tickets
- 20 Uniformed Notices of Violations
- 9 Quality Watch Forms

NORFOLK 4-H PROGRAM OVERNIGHT SUMMER CAMP



The Office of Community Empowerment in cooperation with the Virginia Cooperative Extension is sponsoring payment for one child to attend the Norfolk 4-H's Annual Overnight Program for youth 9-13 years old to be held July 27-31, 2009 at the 4-H Educational Center in Wakefield, VA. The camp provides all of the children an opportunity to escape their city environment for one week while learning and developing citizenship skills. For more information, please contact Halima Budd at (757) 823-1132.

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CALLING NEW MEMBERS! If you are interested in joining the Project Focus Group distribution list for Denby Park call 823-1132

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