



58TH PRESIDENTIAL INAUGURATION

BY JEFF DAHN / KB3ZUK – HACDC AMATEUR RADIO CLUB



MY BACKGROUND...

Started in March, 2010

New police chiefs come to Capitol Heights

Officials with District Heights backgrounds cross one town over

by Natalie McGill | Staff Writer



After a months-long search for leadership, the town of Capitol Heights has not only one but two people at the helm of its police department.

The Town Council officially swore in Jeff Dahn as police chief and Darrel Piper as deputy police chief at the March 8 council meeting and held a ceremonial swearing-in March 10 prior to a chiefs' meet-and-greet at the town municipal building.

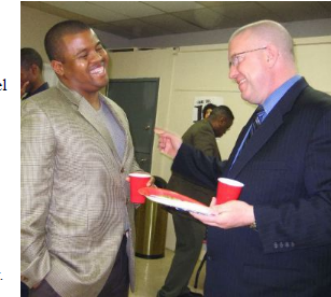
The town has not had a police chief since former chief Robert Patton, who was sworn in June 2007, resigned in August to pursue other opportunities. The town held replacement interviews since September, Mayor Darrell Miller said. There now is one part-time and six full-time officers, including Dahn and Piper, said James Booth, town administrator.

Miller said the town hired a deputy chief in addition to a chief to give the new chief additional support and add structure to the town's police department.

"I think you'll see things quickly improve in the town," Miller said.

Dahn, 40, of Rockville formerly served as police chief for the Edmonston and District Heights departments. Dahn left District Heights' department in July 2008 after 15 months to work as a government contractor in private security before accepting the Capitol Heights job.

"My heart has always been in policing," Dahn said. "I love community service. I understand the needs of the community because we were right next door in District Heights."



Natalie McGill/The Gazette
Capitol Heights Councilman Kito James (left) talks with new town Police Chief Jeff Dahn at a March 10 meet-and-greet reception at Town Hall. Dahn and new Deputy Police Chief Darrel Piper were sworn in March 8.

MY BACKGROUND...

**Terminated in October,
2010**

Gazette.Net

Maryland Community News Online

Thursday, Jan. 20, 2011

Capitol Heights continues its search for new police chief

Six of town's officers support promoting deputy to the position

by Natalie McGill | Staff Writer

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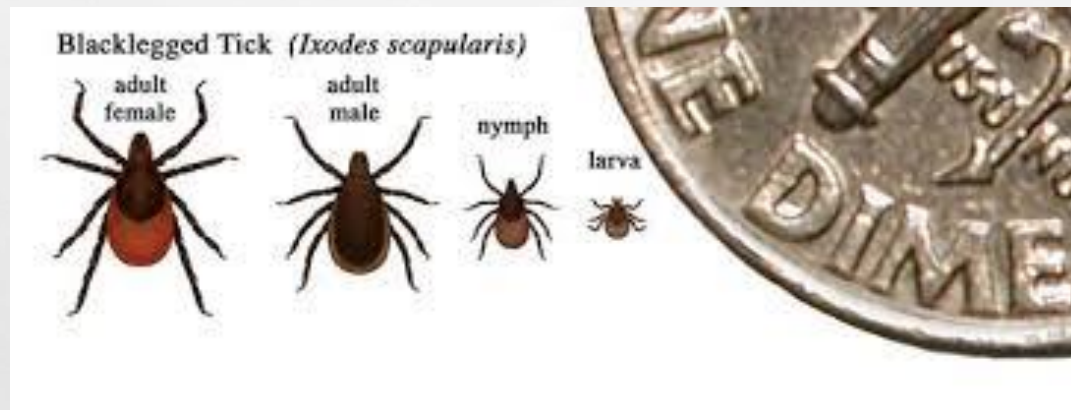
The search continues for a new Capitol Heights police chief, with town officials hoping to name a replacement by the end of February.

The seat has been vacant since former police chief Jeff Dahn was let go Oct. 25. Dahn, who was sworn in March 8, was out on medical leave for an indefinite amount of time since August and was unable to complete daily operations or assist the town reaching its goal of hiring additional officers, according to former town administrator James Booth.

IN JUST THE FIRST 1 ½ YEARS...

- **OVER 50 TIMES TO THE HOSPITAL (E.R. AND BEING ADMITTED)**
- **OVER 150 MEDICAL APPOINTMENTS, TESTS, TREATMENTS ATTEMPTED**
- **JOKINGLY REFERRED TO AS THE “MILLION DOLLAR MAN” BY MY DOCTORS WHO COULD FIND NOTHING TO EXPLAIN MY SYMPTOMS DESPITE HIGH AMOUNT OF TESTING, UNTIL...**

LYME DISEASE



A RANDOM INTERNET SEARCH AND POST...

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10 Total Noob but this all looks interesting. I have those "new guy" questions and my story listed.
submitted 4 years ago by [jdinmd](#)

I am a former Police Chief and am now relegated to staying at home most of the time due to chronic Lyme Disease. Money is very tight because I can only work a day or so every week or two on a part-time basis that that is a new development. I am interested in learning about getting started and learning what is needed for exams, would like to find free or cheap study resources and equipment. Bottom line: experienced public safety official interested in Ham, needs to study and practice/perform on a limited budget. Can you please help? Thanks!

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I always recommend finding a local club as the first step for the following reasons:

1. The guys are friendly and eager to evangelize.
2. They will loan you study material and help you through it.
3. They probably have some gear to trade / loan as well
4. You can usually see them in action and get a taste before sitting in the operator chair.

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Thanks! Any online places to study the needed materials to answer what is asked in the exams?

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WHAT AN HONOR...

- **AN INCREDIBLE SERIES OF FACTORS CAME TOGETHER IN ORDER TO MAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY POSSIBLE. THE EXACT COMBINATION OF MY PARTICULAR BACKGROUND IN LAW ENFORCEMENT, GOVERNMENT SERVICE, AMATEUR RADIO, HISTORY IN PARTICIPATING IN THE NATIONAL PARKS IN THE AIR INITIATIVE, ALONG WITH ME BEING CHRONICALLY ILL SO AS TO BE AVAILABLE ON A SHORT NOTICE TO WORK WITHOUT HAVING A CONFLICT FOR TIME. THESE FACTORS AND THEN, ALSO, HAVING JUST BEEN GIVEN THE OPPORTUNITY TO HAVE BEEN ELECTED AS THE PRESIDENT OF HACDC ARC ALL COMBINED PERFECTLY TO GIVE HACDC ARC THE CHANCE TO SERVE NATIONAL PARK SERVICE AND BECOME A PART OF HISTORY IN SUCCESSFUL SERVICE OF THIS INAUGURAL EVENT. MANY THANKS TO ALL OF THOSE WHO SERVED.**

HOW DID WE GET INVOLVED?

- WHILE AT THE NATIONAL PARK SERVICE HQ'S, TO GET A PERMIT AS PART OF NPOTA, I MET THE CHIEF OF STAFF FOR THE NATIONAL MALL AND MEMORIAL PARKS (NAMA) - CHIEF BRIAN JOYNER
- I SENT HIM A FOLLOW-UP E-MAIL THANKING HIM AND HIS STAFF FOR THEIR EFFORTS. TWO DAYS BEFORE THE EVENT, MY CONTACT INFORMATION WAS FORWARDED TO THE VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR FOR THE NPS BECAUSE THE COMMUNICATIONS SECTION HAD A NEED FOR TRAINED OPERATORS TO ASSIST – I WAS CONTACTED BY E-MAIL. I RETURNED THE E-MAIL THAT SAME DAY, LISTING ALL OF MY QUALIFICATIONS AND EXPERIENCE.
- THE DAY BEFORE THE EVENT I MADE FINAL ARRANGEMENTS ON THE PHONE WITH THE COORDINATOR / FINAL VETTING PROCESS WAS COMPLETED.
- THURSDAY MORNING I ARRIVED, CHECKED IN AT THE NATIONAL PARK SERVICE HEADQUARTERS AND WAS IMMEDIATELY PUT TO WORK AT THEIR DISPATCH AND INCIDENT COMMAND POST.



SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

- **19 JANUARY**

- **WELCOME CELEBRATION - 1000 HRS**
- **WREATH LAYING CEREMONY – 1500 HRS**
- **PRE-SHOW – 1330 HRS**
- **MAIN SHOW – 1600 HRS**
- **FIREWORKS (FOLLOWING MAIN SHOW)**

- **20 JANUARY**

- **MALL OPEN TO PUBLIC – 0700 HRS**
- **MORNING WORSHIP – ST. JOHN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH - 0830 HRS**
- **PROCESSION TO CAPITOL – 1100 HRS (PA AVE. FROM WHITE HOUSE TO CAPITOL)**
- **SWEARING IN CEREMONY AND INAUGURAL ADDRESS – 1125 – 1230 HRS (WEST FRONT OF CAPITOL BUILDING)**
- **INAUGURAL LUNCHEON – STATUARY HALL, CAPITOL**
- **INAUGURAL PARADE – 1500-1700 HRS (PA AVE. FROM CAPITOL TO WHITE HOUSE)**
- **INAUGURAL BALL(S) - 1900-2300 HRS - BOTH AT THE CONVENTION CENTER**

- **21 JANUARY**

- **INTERFAITH NATIONAL PRAYER SERVICE – WASHINGTON'S NATIONAL CATHEDRAL**



ADDITIONAL ACTIVITIES / ISSUES

- **IN ADDITION TO THE OFFICIAL LIST OF SCHEDULED ACTIVITIES:**
 - **OVER 90 PERMITS ISSUED BY THE NATIONAL PARK SERVICE FOR EVENTS DURING THESE SAME DATES / AREAS**
 - **LARGEST OF WHICH WAS THE WOMEN'S MARCH ON WASHINGTON (MILLION WOMEN'S MARCH).**
 - **MASSIVE INFLUX OF PEOPLE CONVERGING INTO ONE SMALL AREA OF SPACE REPRESENTING LARGE CROSS-SECTION OF POLITICAL VIEWPOINTS, SOCIAL-ECONOMIC SITUATIONS, PHYSICAL CAPABILITIES AND MESSAGES THEY WISHED TO REPRESENT.**
 - **THE WASHINGTON METROPOLITAN AREA TRANSIT AUTHORITY REPORTED THEIR SECOND HIGHEST DAY OF RIDERSHIP EVER ON SATURDAY, JANUARY 21, 2017, DUE TO THE MASSIVE INFLUX OF PEOPLE IN THE AREA.**
 - **OVER 3500 LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS FROM AROUND THE COUNTRY WERE BROUGHT IN FROM AROUND THE COUNTRY TO ASSIST.**



THEN...

- **ON FRIDAY, JANUARY 20, 2017, I WAS CONTACTED BY ARTUR FELLER, W4ART, WHO WAS COORDINATING AMATEUR RADIO PUBLIC SAFETY EFFORTS TO ASSIST WITH THE "WOMEN'S MARCH ON WASHINGTON" AND WOULD BE SERVING AS THE PRIMARY NET CONTROL STATION. THEY NEEDED SPACE IN DC TO SET UP THE NCS AND ASKED TO USE THE HACDC ARC CLUB SPACE.**
- **THIS GAVE ENHANCED COORDINATION AND COMMUNICATIONS CAPABILITIES BETWEEN THE NPS DISPATCH CENTER HQS ICP AND THE W3HAC NCS, EACH OF US ABLE TO COMMUNICATE WITH ONE OTHER AND WITH THE STATIONS WHO WERE THE "BOOTS ON THE GROUND" ON BOTH SIDES OF THE EQUATION IN A WAY THAT I DON'T BELIEVE HAS EVER BEEN DONE BEFORE, IN PARTICULAR, IN SUCH A LARGE-SCALE EVENT!**

GRATITUDE

MEETING MICHAEL REYNOLDS – ACTING DIRECTOR / NPS



MY CERTIFICATE FOR SERVICE DURING THE INAUGURAL EVENT



SPECIAL EVENT – PRESENTATION / ACTIVATION ROCK CREEK PARK TENNIS CENTER SATURDAY, MAY 6, 2017, 1400 HRS

STUART THOMAS – KB1HQS

WWFF / KFF-NORTH AMERICA

