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To: Chief Ridenhour,

The Cadets finished March with two events on March 28th, the Early Childhood Fair at RPMS and NERLEEA Skills Day at the CT Police Academy. Eighteen Cadets went to the Police Academy in Meriden for a full day of training in various subjects. They were split into groups based on experience and training and rotated through various classes.





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Another Squad of Cadets was at RPMS assisting with the Early Childhood Fair. The Cadets assisted in directing people where to go and helped at various stations during the event. It's hard to believe, but some of our Cadets are camera shy!





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April has been our busiest month so far this year. We assisted the Newtown Children's Adventure Center on April 1st with a parking detail.



April 3rd had the Cadets assisting with a Good Friday Procession. Serving at these events give the Cadets the opportunity for the practical application of their organizing, managing, and leadership skills. The Cadet Command structure is responsible for making sure the Cadets have the proper equipment, are assigned where needed, and understand their role at the event. The Advisors facilitate and mentor the Cadets in order to insure the goals are accomplished safely and efficiently.





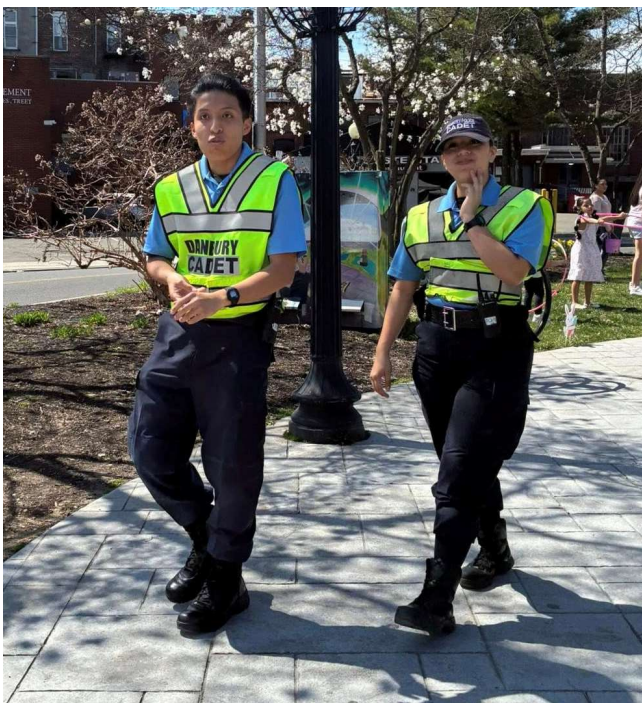
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What is April without the Easter Festival on the CityCenter Green! Many Cadets turned out to help with this event. They helped at the various stations and kept the children involved engaged and organized.





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The April Cadet meetings were very productive. They had the Navy recruiter talk about careers in the Navy. Also, two former Cadets who recently graduated from Marine Corp Boot Camp came and spoke about their experiences. The Cadet Command went over the new Post Structure after the Basic Entry Skills Training (B.E.S.T.) Cadets graduated and were incorporated into the main structure of our program. They also started training for Station's Day which is coming up in May.



We started our Tarrywile Park Junior Ranger Patrols in April. This is a program started last year to fill a gap in oversight at the park on weekends. The Cadets have learned about the park history, been able to assist park users,



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reported on maintenanc issues, and contributed to the general safety and well-being of the park community. They have participated in a litter control program and reported on issues such as the holes in the fence around the castle allowing people inside where graffitti is a big problem.



More information about our program can be found on our website, danburypolicecadets.org, our Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/DanburyPoliceCadets>, Instagram: [Instagram.com/danburypolicecadets/](https://www.instagram.com/danburypolicecadets/) and Youtube Channel: [youtube.com/@DanburyPoliceCadets](https://www.youtube.com/@DanburyPoliceCadets).

Tentative upcoming events for 2026:

4/25 Clean City Danbury Day
4/25 Puzzles 5K
5/2 Tarrywile Patrol
5/9 Station's Day
5/9 Moose Lodge Clean Up Day
5/9 Letter Carrier's Food Drive
5/16 CODA Festival
5/16 HOLI Festival
5/16 Newtown Music Festival
5/16 Veteran's Flag Detail - St. Peter's Cemetery
5/17 Veteran's Flag Detail - Wooster Cemetery
5/17 Bethel Memorial Day Parade (Color Guard)
5/25 Memorial Day Parade
5/29-31 St. Anthony's Lebanese Mahrajan Festival

6/4 Corpus Christi Procession
6/7 Hat City Dash 5k
6/7 Portuguese Day Parade
6/13 Street Festival
7/12 – 18 Cadet Police Academy
8/2-8 PSC Leadership Academy
8/8-9 Ecuadorian Festival
8/19-23 San Gennaro
9/11 Memorial Service
9/11-13 Bethlehem Fair
9/18-20 Newtown Arts Festival
10/10 Cadet Tactical Challenge
10/24 Halloween on the Green
10/31 Halloween PD - Deer Hill Ave?
12/5 Light the Lights Winter Festival

Respectfully,
Sergeant David Antedomenico,
Advisor, Danbury Police Cadets