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VILLA HILLS POLICE DEPARTMENT

Meet the Officers Serving & Protecting Our Community

in the spotlight

By Lori Broomhead Photos by Teah Longland

The cities of Villa Hills and Crescent Springs partner in community events and share a fire department. Beginning this month, the communities will become even more united as the Villa Hills Police Department takes over patrol duties in Crescent Springs. The officers are residents of Northern Kentucky communities, and we are lucky to have courageous and compassionate officers dedicated to the safety of the area.

Chief of Police Bryan Allen has been serving in Villa Hills since 2013 and feels he has his “dream job.”

“People here are nice and appreciate the officers. It’s a great atmosphere to work in,” said Chief Allen. “As the chief, I get to build the department and make it the best in the region. The mayor and city council are so supportive of our efforts.”

The VHPD has been hiring new officers, and by the end of October, there will be 13 officers patrolling the Hills & Springs. Chief Allen is energized and optimistic about the top-notch staff of men and women who are dedicated to the citizens. He is committed to excellence and said the VHPD will provide the community with prompt and professional service.

“My number one job is to serve Villa Hills and Crescent Springs with continued excellence.”

Thank you to all the officers who have already been serving and welcome to the new officers who will be serving the Hills & Springs. Current officers are: Chief Bryan Allen, Sergeant Matthew R.B. Hall, Officer James J. Bird, Officer Thomas Bradford,

Officer Brian David Dewaine, Officer Sean Dooley, Officer Emily Horseman, Officer Krull, Officer Pat Noll, Officer Bryan Panko, and Officer Donnie Powell. The VHPD will welcome Officers Jacob Bolton and John Karl in October. They are currently at the Kentucky Police Academy.

VHPD Mission Statement

To professionally, and with respect, lead the efforts within the community to preserve the public peace, protect the rights of persons and property, prevent crime, and generally provide assistance to citizens in need.

The VHPD Values Statement

We value human life and personal dignity. We value personal and professional integrity as the basis for community trust. We value fair and impartial enforcement of all laws. We value professional excellence and customer service. We value all members of the Villa Hills Police Department, both sworn and unsworn.



Chief Bryan Allen

CHIEF OF POLICE BRYAN ALLEN

Education/Training: Kentucky Peace Officer Certification; BA Criminal Justice, University of Cincinnati; Masters of Public Administration, Northern Kentucky University; Southern Police Training Institute 106th Administrative Officers Course, University of Louisville

Experience: Served 27.5 years in law enforcement; Retired from Covington Police Department after 20.5 years; NKU 2 years; Villa Hills since 2013

Specialty: Command, S.W.A.T. Operations, Canine, Community Relations

Volunteer: Church, SPCA projects, St. Jude, Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center charities

Interests: Soccer dad, enjoy spending time with family and outdoors

Other: Current President of the Kenton County Chief's Association



Sergeant Hall

**SERGEANT MATTHEW R.B. HALL,
Second in Command**

Education/Training: BA in History, Thomas More College (Cum Laude); Department of Criminal Justice Training Class #351 (Class leader); KLEC Police Training Officer Program; Certified Accident Reconstructionist Investigator;

Forensic Mapping/Total Station Operator; National Law Enforcement Thermographers Association; National Child Protection Seat Certification; IPMBA Police Mountain Bike School; Commercial Vehicle Safety Alliance Certified Inspector

Experience: 3 years with Lakeside Park Crestview Hill Police Department; 9 years with Boone County Sheriff's Department; 3 years with Villa Hills Police Department

Specialty: Accident Reconstructionist; Training Section Supervisor; Child Safety Seat Technician; Crisis Intervention Team; Field Training Officer, Program Supervisor

Volunteer: Walton Verona Youth Football/Cheer League, former board member; Walton Verona Youth Baseball League, assistant coach; Spirit Athletics All Star Association; Hebron Lutheran Church

Interests: Cooking and attempting to be an amateur chef, spending time with wife and children, music, television, swimming, Coney Island, going to the beach

Other: Met wife in high school. Together since 1998 and married in 2005. She is an RN in Labor and Delivery Unit at St. Elizabeth Hospital. Have 4 children



Officer Bird

**OFFICER JAMES J. BIRD,
Patrol Officer**

Education/Training: AAS Law Enforcement; USAF Military Police Academy; Kentucky Police Academy; Academy of Police Supervision; USMC PARRIS Island Boot Camp Basic Marine Training; S.W.A.T.; Firearms instructor;

Simunitions instructor; Field Training Officer; Criminal Investigations; Colt AR15 and Glock armorer; taser instructor

Experience: 4 years with USMC Military Police; 3 years with Kentucky State Police; 4 years with the City of Newport Police; 15 years with Kenton County Police; 4 years with Villa Hills Police

Specialty: Investigations

Interests: Horses, weight training, camping, fishing, hunting, cycling

Other: 3 children, 2 horses, and a dog



Officer Bradford

**OFFICER THOMAS BRADFORD,
Patrolman**

Education/Training: BS Police Studies/Criminal Justice, Eastern Kentucky University; Department of Criminal Justice Training

Experience: 3 years with Fort Mitchell Police Department; 1 year with Boone

County Sheriff's Office

Specialty: IPMBA Bike Certification

Volunteer: American Cancer Society



Officer Dewaine

**OFFICER BRIAN DAVID DEWAINÉ,
Patrol Officer**

Education/Training: Criminal Investigations Training Program; Federal Law Enforcement Training Program; Basic Special Investigations Training Program; Maritime Law Enforcement Training Program; Uniformed Police Training Program

Experience: 4.5 years Air Force Security Forces; 4 years Air Force Office of Special Investigations; 1.5 years Enforcement Officer with National Marine Fisheries Service

Specialty: Criminal Investigations

Volunteer: Civil Air Patrol, State of Alaska

Interests: Avid outdoorsman, professional taxidermist

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Officer Dooley

OFFICER SEAN DOOLEY,
Patrol Officer

Education/Training: Holy Cross High School; 2 years at Northern Kentucky University; Kentucky Department of Criminal Justice Training; Certified Crisis Intervention Training

Experience: Villa Hills Police for 2 years

Specialty: Narcotics, DUI, taking on K9 Unit in 2019

Volunteer: Volunteer at Mary Queen of Heaven Parish

Interests: Spending time with family, photography, outdoor activities including hunting and fishing

Other: Married 5 years and father to 2 daughters



Officer Horseman

OFFICER EMILY HORSEMAN,
Patrol Officer

Education/Training: Notre Dame Academy; BA Criminology, Morehead State University; EMT B Certification, University of Cincinnati, Clermont; MA Public Administration, Northern Kentucky University; Dept. Of Criminal

Justice Training, Police Academy; Covington Police Department, IPMBA Bike Patrol Certification; Rape Aggression Defense Systems Basic Level I, Women's Self Defense; Ohio Traffic Accident Reconstruction Association, Post-Crash Mechanics Review; Kentucky State Police, Collision Investigation and Reconstruction Levels II and III, Commercial Motor Vehicle, ATV, Bicycle, Pedestrians, Motorcycles

Experience: 8 years with City of Fort Thomas; 7 months with Kentucky State University Police; currently Villa Hills Police

Specialty: Collision Investigation and Reconstruction, Self Defense/Tactics

Volunteer: KY Special Olympics Torch Run, Girls on the Run, Team RWB, Modest Needs, Stray Animal Adoption Program, Jackie's Run (Alzheimer's Association)

Interests: Running, cycling, mountain biking, climbing, geology, camping, kayaking, hiking, travel, astronomy



Officer Krull

OFFICER JOSEPH KRULL,
Patrol Officer/Specialist

Education/Training: BA Criminal Justice with concentration in Public Administration, Northern Kentucky University.

Experience: 1 year with Kenton County Sheriff's Office, Court Security; 6 years with Villa Hills Police Department.

Specialty: Property/Evidence Manager; Taser Instructor; D.A.R.E. Officer; A.L.I.C.E. Instructor; Bike Patrol

Volunteer: River Ridge Elementary's Annual Shop with a Cop or Fireman, 6 years with Villa Hills Police Explorers, Swimming Coach at Dixie Heights and Simon Kenton.

Interests: Getting out with wife and son, music, hiking, swimming, running, exercise, video games, currently learning American Sign Language



Officer Noll

OFFICER PATRICK J. NOLL,
Patrol Officer

Education/Training: Associates Degree in Law Enforcement, Northern Kentucky University; Bike Certified; Mounted Patrol National Certification; Trained S.W.A.T. Negotiator

Experience: Retired from City of Covington Police after 22 years of service; 1 year with Kenton County Police

Specialty: Community Relations

Volunteer: Special Olympics

Interests: Golf and landscaping



Officer Panko

OFFICER BRYAN PANKO,
Patrol Officer

Education/Training: Dixie Heights High School, U.S. Marines, Drone Pilot

Experience: Marines, one tour of duty in Iraq and two tours of duty in Afghanistan; Covington Police Office, 1 year; Kenton County Sheriff's Office, 4 years

Volunteer: Donate to Disabled American Veterans organization and try to participate in its yearly charity run

Interests: Hiking, camping, and taking drone videos

Other: Recipient of the Purple Heart Medal after being shot in the leg in Afghanistan



Officer Powell

OFFICER DONNIE POWELL,
Specialist

Education/Training: Defensive Tactics Coordinator, Gracie Survival Tactics Instructor, Master Firearms Instructor

Experience: Served in Ludlow 3.5 years; Villa Hills 3.5 years

Specialty: S.W.A.T., Tactics

Interests: Shooting IDPA, physical fitness, riding motorcycles

Other: Veteran of Afghanistan, served with 1st Ranger Battalion



Officer Bolton

OFFICER JACOB BOLTON

Currently at Kentucky Police Academy. Will start with the VHPD in October.



Officer Karl

OFFICER JOHN KARL

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