



# CPD

## *Crime Fighters*

WEEKLY TOP PERFORMERS

Week # 02-10 January 15, 2009

### *Message from Chief John S. Thomson...*

The men and women of Camden City Police Department can stand proud! Our efforts have resulted in the lowest reported crime in 40 years. This does not happen by accident and only occurs when police abandon reactive strategies and attack crime. This new paradigm appears to be contagious as evidenced by the heroic actions of Mr. Atkinson who single handedly assisted in the capture of two violent bank robbers. Just moments after Mr. Atkinson had a gun jammed into his face during a center city bank robbery, he pursued the crooks, maintained visual contact and stayed on the phone with 911 which lead us to their capture. These perps had committed this same act before and certainly would have struck again if not for the valiant efforts of this brave citizen. He is an inspiration to all of us. Stay safe.



### *TOP Cops of the Week*

## **Sgt. Kuzniasz and Officer Thornton Arrests Suspect armed with with a loaded .40 cal Handgun!!**



Sgt. Walter M. Kuzniasz



Ofc. Raphael A. Thornton

Quick observations led Sergeant Walter M. Kuzniasz and Officer Thornton to arrest a 37-year-old male in connection with possession of a weapon and illegal narcotics this weekend in the City.

On Sunday, January 10, 2010, at approximately 10:10 pm, Sgt. Kuzniasz and Officer Thornton, while on proactive patrol on the corner of 4<sup>th</sup> and Viola Streets, heard gun shots fired in the area. Both immediately responded to the location and observed a silver Mitsubishi Galant leaving the area at a high rate of speed. Kuzniasz and Thornton attempted to conduct a motor vehicle stop, but were disregarded by the driver, who continued driving away from the location.

The suspect, identified as Shawn D. Fauntleroy, 37, of the 500 block of Berkley Street, was apprehended while attempting to elude police on the 2500 block of Morgan Blvd, after crashing his vehicle into a fence. As he exited his vehicle, the suspect discarded a plastic sandwich bag containing narcotics. A loaded semi-automatic .40 caliber handgun, lying on the driver's side floor, was recovered from inside the vehicle.

The suspect is charged with Eluding, Possession of a Weapon for Unlawful Purpose, Unlawful Possession of a Weapon, Certain Persons not to Possess a Firearm, Possession of a Controlled Dangerous Substance and Resisting Arrest. He was remanded to the Camden County Jail with \$350,000 bail.



# “ZERO” takes a bite out of Crime!!

Pictured from left to right: Detectives Schaefer , Nieves, McCray and Sgt. James arrested armed robbery suspect.

The hard work and persistence of Detectives William J. Schaefer, Angel A. Nieves, Joseph C. McCray Jr. and K-9 Sergeant Zsakhim James and his partner Zero, led to the arrest of a juvenile accused of robbing a person at knife point on Saturday afternoon in the city.

On Saturday, January 09, 2010, at approximately 5:21 pm, units were dispatched to the 2800 block of Mt. Ephraim Avenue, in reference to an armed robbery incident. The victim explained he was walking from the Pathmark supermarket when he was robbed by a male armed with a knife. According to the victim, he was approached by the suspect, who was driving a Dodge Neon. The suspects drove away from the scene with an undisclosed amount of money.

On the same date, at approximately 10:22 pm, while patrolling the 1900 block of Broadway Street, Detectives Schaefer, Nieves and McCray observed a vehicle fitting the description provided by the victim and they began to follow the vehicle. The suspect, upon noticing police, began to accelerate at a high rate of speed. The driver, identified as a 17-year-old male, exited the vehicle and began to flee on foot, but was quickly apprehended on the 300 block of Jefferson Street by K-9 Zero.

The suspect was found to be in possession of a black ski mask and a knife. The victim positively identified the Neon as the vehicle used in the robbery. The suspect is charged with Robbery, Receiving Stolen Property, Resisting Arrest and Assault on a Law Enforcement Animal. He was remanded to Lakeland Juvenile Facility.



Homicides:	- 0%
Shootings:	-100%
Non-Violent Crime:	-46%
Overall Crime:	-37%

Forty-nine police recruits were hired on Monday, January 11, 2010 through the Camden City and Camden County Personnel list and will be attending the Camden Police Academy with the projected graduation of June 3, 2010.

## Employee of the week honorable mention:

Deborah Stephens is recognized this week for her hard work and commitment in her new position in the secondary employment and payroll unit.



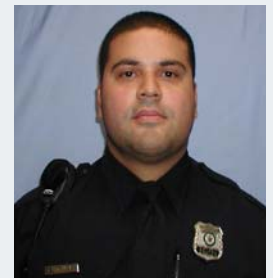
## VCTF Detectives & Officer A. Goodwater arrests Robbery Suspect and recovers the goods!

The quick response of VCTF Detectives, William J. Schaefer, Carlos Concepcion Jr., Angel A. Nieves, Joseph C. McCray Jr. and Officer Aaron M. Goodwater to a robbery incident led to the arrest of a 36-year-old male, in connection with the crime that occurred last Monday in the city.

On January 4, 2009, at approximately 8:35 pm, Officer Goodwater was dispatched to the 600 block of Federal Street in reference to a robbery incident. Upon arrival, Officer Goodwater spoke with the victim who told him that a Hispanic male robbed him while leaving the Walter Rand Transportation Center. According to the victim, during the incident, the suspect made it appear he had a firearm with him. The suspect fled the scene on foot with the victim’s back pack.

Just minutes later based on the description provided, the suspect was apprehended by VCTF detectives Schaefer, Concepcion, Nieves and McCray on the 400 block of Market Street. He was identified as Mario Gonzalez Hernandez, 36, of the 200 block of Plus Park Blvd. in Nashville, TN,

Mario Gonzalez Hernandez is charged with Robbery, Possession of a Simulated Weapon, Unlawful Possession of a Weapon and Theft charges. He was remanded to the Camden County Jail with \$200,000 bail.



Det. C. Concepcion



Ofc. A. Goodwater