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LPPD celebrates recent promotions

Pictured left to right posing with Chief Ron Parker, Assistant Chief Matt Daeumer,
Lieutenant Lance Cook, and Sergeant Anthony Bish

With Chief Ron Parker's promotion, came three additional promotions to the rank and file. Matt Daeumer, Lance Cook and Anthony Bish, have been named as fitting successors among the agency's supervisory ranks.

Matt Daeumer was promoted to the rank of Assistant Chief over the Support Services Bureau, which includes the Criminal Investigations Division and the Support Services Division. Matt has served the community with the La Porte Police Department since 1987, with a background of duties and assignments in all areas of the Department, making him a well-rounded leader. Matt's other duties have included systems administrator for the Department's computer-assisted dispatch and records management system and program manager for Texas Police Chief's Best Practices Recognition Program. He has a large role in developing and mentoring employees to higher levels of performance through coaching and team building. He holds a Master Peace Officer Certificate through the Texas Commission on Law Enforcement (TCOLE). Matt has earned a Bachelor of Science degree, with honors, in Organizational Leadership from Mountain State University. He is a graduate of the Bill Blackwood Law Enforcement Institute's Leadership Command College. He is also a Certified Public Manager through the State of Texas and a Leadership Fellow with the Texas Municipal League. Matt enjoys outdoor activities such as hunting, fishing, running, biking and spending time with his wife Cherell and their three children.

Lance Cook was promoted to the rank of Lieutenant. Lance Cook is a 30 year veteran with the La Porte Police Department. During his tenure, he spent five years in patrol, five years in D.A.R.E., and nine years in the Criminal Investigations Division (CID). He promoted to Sergeant in August of 2008 where he spent four years as a patrol supervisor, and then transferred to CID in January of 2013. Lance held the position of CID sergeant for six years. In October 2018 he promoted to the rank of Lieutenant and was assigned to night shift watch commander. Lance attended San Jacinto College in 1990 and obtained a Certificate of Technology in criminal justice. He went on to the University Of Houston where he earned a Bachelor of Science in criminology- behavioral science in 2005. In 2013 Lance graduated Class 68 with the Bill Blackwood Law enforcement management institute of Texas (LEMIT) Leadership Command College giving him six graduate hours towards his master's degree. He attended the LEMIT Public Information Officer School in 2010, the Institute of Police Technology and Management for managing the Field Training program in 2011. Lieutenant Cook holds a Master Peace Officer's certificate with the Texas Commission on Law Enforcement earned in June 2005, he is a Forensic and Investigative hypnotist and a Crime Prevention Inspector. Cook is a published



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author with a paper titled *The Necessity of requiring a Mandatory Rotation of Detectives*. He married his wife Kelly 29 years ago, and they have three children- Kaytlin, Kathryn and Morgan.

Anthony Bish was promoted to the rank of sergeant. He started his Law Enforcement career in 2006 with The City of South Houston Police Department where he spent several years assigned to the Patrol Division. Anthony spent his final 2 years in the Criminal Investigations Division before being hired by the La Porte Police Department in 2011. During his first five years he was assigned to the patrol division. In 2016 Anthony was transferred to the Support Services Division where he served as the District 1 Police Area Representative (PAR) Officer. He holds an Advanced Peace Officer Certificate with TCOLE. Anthony is the recipient of several accolades to include Employee of the First Quarter of 2018. He is married to his Beautiful wife Maria and they have 2 beautiful children.

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