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## New P3 Tips system helps fight crime in Vance County

## KITTRELL COMMUNITY WATCH

Kittrell Community Watch met at Union Chapel in April to learn about a new crime-fighting tool for Henderson and Vance County. President Edward Woodlief welcomed attendees and called the meeting to order. The Rev. Carolyn Roy of Plank Chapel opened the meeting with prayer.

Henderson Police Chief Marcus Barrow was the featured speaker. Barrow began by describing the new P3 Tips system which was funded by Henderson-Vance Crime Stoppers. P3 Tips is a free smartphone application available at the Apple App Store or the Google Play for Android. P3 Tips is also online at www.p3tips.com. P3 Tips allows the public to share information anony-

mously with Crime Stoppers and local police quickly, right from a smartphone. In addition, individuals can send photographs as well as review and update information previously submitted. Chief Barrow said that P3 guarantees anonymity and P3 tips are eligible for Crime Stopper rewards. Barrow emphasized that P3 is not for emergencies; residents still need to call 911 any time they need emergency assistance. Then, Chief Barrow described several recent shootings in Henderson, including assistance from Crime Stoppers, which was followed by a lively question-andanswer period.

Before adjourning, Woodlief announced that the next meeting will be June 21 at Union Chapel.