



# Partners On Patrol



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## Your Invited

Consider yourself invited to the End-of-a-Hot-Texas Summer ice cream social at the August 21<sup>st</sup> meeting of the ECPAAA. Come and cool off with fellow members, enjoy several flavors of ice cream and toppings and hear brief reports from those who attended the Texas Citizens Police Academy Symposium in Austin.

Some of the speakers and topics to be included are Geri Sorg on Texas Exile, Margaret Stowe on High Tech Crime (including identity theft), Helen Wagner on Body Language, Ron Williamson on Child Pornography and the Internet, Leah on 501(c)(3) organizations, Chris Shanahan on K-9, Sharon Finnegan on Domestic Violence, and Kathy Haecker on Sex Offender Registration and Information.

Bring your appetite for ice cream and meet in the Large Conference Room of Building A at 7:00 p.m. There is no need to bring anything, just come and enjoy!



## C.O.P.S.

As you may have read elsewhere in the newsletter, our CPAAA had a record turnout at the convention in Austin. Because all of the attendees are also regular patrollers, we were unable to locate three volunteers to put the car out on Friday, August 3<sup>rd</sup>. I would like to ask all of you to think about what we can do to generate and increase interest. We committed to the program but we are struggling weekly to locate volunteers. Would another night be better? Would changing the time enhance the patrols? Let's brainstorm together to make our COPS program the best ever! The department gave us the car – now, how are we going to live up to our part of the bargain? It also looks like Sgt. Williamson may have some new thoughts and proposals for us at the next meeting. Come and find out what's  
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## By Laws

As you all know, at the July meeting we voted on the By-Law amendments. A copy of these By-Law will be available at the next meeting.

We have sold over  
\$24,000 in bricks!!

Ice Cream Party  
August 21!

We have 72  
paid members  
For 2001

## Leah's Perspective



Hello everyone. Well we made it to Austin and back with no problems on the "Ron Express". Ron, thanks for taking us with you. I know it wasn't easy riding with four women, five on the way back. I hope that everyone who went to the convention enjoyed it and I look forward to hearing any comments. I survived a leaky toilet, which tended to leak water all over the bathroom floor unless the water valve was manually shut off, and Sharon and Helen survived ants in their beds. We were treated to a surprise guest at the Banquet on Saturday night – G. W. Bailey. Some of you may know him as Captain Harris from the Police Academy movies. He also played in Mannequin with Andrew McCarthy as a night time security guard. He signed autographs after he spoke and we snapped a couple of pictures of our folks with him.

I want to give a BIG THANK YOU to Chris Shanahan and Al Simmenroth. These two gentlemen were instrumental in selling over \$200 of our merchandise at the North Texas Region Booth in the Convention Exhibit Hall. I think we sold one decal and the rest were lapel pins.

Next year's convention will be in Lake Jackson, Texas. The

dates are July 24<sup>th</sup> – July 27<sup>th</sup>. I will have information for you at the meeting if you are interested in going next year. We have good news. The 2003 Convention will be held in Fort Worth, Texas. Hopefully many more of you will be able to attend since the convention will be held locally.

Starting in this newsletter, each month I will give you a breakdown of the Alumni's volunteer hours for the City. They are as follows for the month of July:

Crime Victims Assistance Program – 69 Hours 30 Minutes  
 CID Clerical – 3 Hours 15 Minutes  
 Citizens On Patrol – 39 Hours  
 Total – 111 Hours 45 Minutes

That's all I have this month. Don't forget, we are having an Ice Cream Social this month. If anyone was scheduled to bring refreshments this month, please hold off and bring them next month. See you at the meeting.



## Sgt. Williamson



It's been a couple of months since I put an article in the newsletter. My June letter never made it to Chris and I was out of town for the July issue. This month I want to talk about the COP's Program. The decision has been made to move the program forward. I have scheduled a COP's training for those who have not been through the class before for Saturday August 25<sup>th</sup> starting at 9:00 a.m. in the

conference room in building A. I apologize for the short notice but I hope all that want to can attend. Following this training, I have scheduled another training session for all COP's trained members on Saturday September the 8<sup>th</sup> to cover the COP's program and the changes we are making. To hopefully spark your interest, Handicap parking enforcement will begin and we will talk about other things ya'll can do to help. I will be mailing out notices to all involved. My list of COP's trained people is not up to date, so if you get one telling you about the training and you have already been trained, let me know. I will also get a list of those who do not have gas pump access and get that corrected. Again, I know this is short notice but I hope all who want to can attend these two trainings. I am sure Leah will talk

about the Alumni Association Conference in Austin. I just want to say the training was good and those who were able to go found that it was well worth it.

I just want to again say thanks for all each of you do. We can't tell you enough how much we appreciate each of you and all your efforts. Stay safe and I will see you at the August meeting.



## Happy Birthday!!

Lou Baum (tiny bubbles)  
 Susan Vest



## July 2001 Treasures Report

REVENUE	June	July	Year To Date	Unrestricted	Restricted	TOTAL
Bake Sale			\$0.00	\$500.00		\$0.00
Care Cards - Kroger, Tom Thumb, Albertson	\$44.25		\$295.54	\$300.00		\$295.54
<b>Donations</b>						
I.D. Cards					\$900.00	
Dues (2001 dues collected in 2000=\$500)	\$100.00		\$1,380.00	\$1,500.00		\$1,380.00
<b>Event Security</b>						
Arbor Daze			\$6,643.35	\$1,500.00	\$2,000.00	\$6,643.35
Bass Pro			\$450.00	\$1,200.00		\$450.00
Interest (Money Market Account.)	\$63.06	\$95.37	\$450.21	\$500.00		\$450.21
<b>Miscellaneous Income</b>	\$2,210.00		\$2,255.00		\$45.00	\$2,255.00
T-Shirts, Caps, Visors, Decals & Pins			\$33.00	\$300.00		\$33.00
Christmas Providers			\$0.00		\$550.00	\$0.00
<b>TOTAL REVENUE</b>	<b>\$2,417.31</b>	<b>\$95.37</b>	<b>\$11,007.10</b>	<b>\$5,800.00</b>	<b>\$3,495.00</b>	<b>\$9,295.00</b>
<b>MAJOR PROJECTS</b>						
Brick Revenue ('99 & 2000 = \$14,900.00)	\$5,290.00	\$1,575.00	\$8,515.00			\$23,415.00
<b>EXPENSES</b>				<b>Unrestricted</b>	<b>Restricted</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>
Arbor Daze			\$0.00	\$400.00		\$0.00
Awards & Gifts			\$83.40	\$300.00		\$83.40
Birthday Remembrances (** 2000 birthdays)			\$0.00	\$80.00		\$0.00
<b>BOARD</b>						
Office supplies			\$0.00	\$400.00		\$0.00
Postage			\$34.00	\$100.00		\$34.00
CPAANT Dues			\$30.00	\$30.00		\$30.00
Digital Camera			\$0.00	\$500.00		\$0.00
Flowers (2000 budget)			\$55.00	\$350.00		\$55.00
Miscellaneous	\$26.00		\$26.00	\$500.00		\$26.00
Patrol (**\$34.07 = Christmas lunches '00)			\$0.00	\$200.00		\$0.00
<b>PUBLICATIONS</b>						
Office supplies			\$16.48	\$100.00		\$16.48
Postage			\$102.00	\$350.00		\$102.00
Social Events			\$129.20	\$500.00		\$129.20
Postal Box			\$55.00	\$55.00		\$55.00
Prayer Plaques			\$0.00	\$200.00		\$0.00
Symposium & Meetings			\$495.00	\$2,400.00		\$495.00
Telephone Directories			\$0.00	\$100.00		\$0.00
T-Shirts / Hats / Visors / Decals / Pens			\$230.29	\$300.00		\$230.29
Christmas Providers (**2000 Expense)			\$0.00		\$550.00	\$0.00
<b>APPROVED APPROPRIATIONS</b>						
Fingerprint (CID) Kits			\$0.00	\$100.00		\$0.00
I. D. Cards			\$0.00		\$1,500.00	\$0.00
Furniture			\$0.00		\$1,500.00	\$0.00
Police Week			\$490.08		\$500.00	\$490.08
911 Day			\$0.00		\$200.00	\$0.00
Water By The Gallon			\$0.00		\$200.00	\$0.00
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$26.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$1,746.45</b>	<b>\$6,965.00</b>	<b>\$4,450.00</b>	<b>\$168.40</b>
<b>MAJOR PROJECTS</b>						
Brick Expense	\$34.00	\$34.00	\$915.83			
Sculpture			\$0.00			
<b>NET INCOME (LOSS)</b>	<b>\$2,391.31</b>	<b>\$95.37</b>	<b>\$9,260.65</b>			<b>\$9,126.60</b>
<b>BANK BALANCE (working checking account)</b>						
Beginning of Period	\$8,314.57	\$5,600.82				
End of Period	\$5,600.82	\$3,330.82				
TRANSFER (Checking to Money Market)	\$5,000.00	\$2,210.00				
TRANSFER (Money Market to Checking)						
<b>MONEY MARKET ACCOUNT</b>	<b>\$31,948.88</b>	<b>\$35,829.25</b>				

## Eules Citizens Police Academy Alumni Association Minutes of the Tuesday, July 17, 2001 Meeting

**GUEST SPEAKER:** Our first guest, Officer Tony Burnett was introduced by Ed Benyon. Ed found out that Officer Burnett was named Employee of the Month. Lt. Mike Brown introduced our second guest, Ron Dennis. He works for ADT Security Services and gave us tips for home safety.

Meeting called to order at 8:15 p.m.

**PRESENT:** President, Leah Benoit; Vice President, Chris Shanahan; Treasurer, Ed Benyon; Secretary, Susan Vest; Lou Baum, Byron Benoit, Sharon Finnegan, Blanche LaFontaine, Barbara Lucas, Don Martin, Linda Martin, Sara Munday, Sherrod Munday, Al Simmenroth, Leland Smith, Barney Snitz, Rose-Marie Stevens, Margaret Stowe, Kris Stull, Helen Wagner and our guests, Lt. Mike Brown and Chief & Mrs. Carmack.

**MINUTES:** A motion was made by Byron Benoit to accept the June minutes as stated in the Newsletter. Second by Barbara Lucas. Passed.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** A motion was made by Rose-Marie Stevens to accept the June 2001 Treasurer's Report. Second by Al Simmenroth. Passed.

### COMMITTEE REPORTS:

#### *Fund Raising Reports:*

1. Fundraising Report: Rose-Marie Stevens announced that we received a check from Albertson's for \$50.32; a check from Kroger will be sent next month for \$3.56.
2. Bass Pro Shop fundraising opportunity will be available to all members from August 4 to August 12. Saturday shifts are 11:30 am to 5:30 pm and 5:00 pm to 10:00 pm; Sunday shift is 12:30 pm to 6:00 pm; Thursday & Friday shifts are 4:30 pm to 10:00 pm. Sign up sheets were passed around. Work involves bagging merchandise, hanging or folding merchandise, etc.
3. Sharon Finnegan announced that the Bake Sale is scheduled for October 27 at Kroger. Baked items need to be at Kroger's around 8:00 a.m. Sharon will need some help, so anyone volunteering would be greatly appreciated. Call Sharon for more details.



#### *Membership Report:*

1. Chris Shanahan reported that we have 73 paid members.

#### *Newsletter Report:*

1. Chris Shanahan – Apologized for not getting the newsletters mailed; he had computer problems.

### EXECUTIVE UPDATES:

1. Leah Benoit mentioned that we had received an invitation to the Hurst PD meeting on August 16. The meeting held at the Brookside Convention Center at 7:30 p.m.. The topic is Murder Crime Scene.
2. Leah also mentioned that as of July 15 we had sold \$23,515 in bricks. Anything that we make now, minus the cost of the bricks and labor, will be the Association's.
3. By-Laws: Before voting on the By-Laws, Ed Benyon asked that we keep Article 7.01 as it is currently written in the old By-Laws. Article 7.01 refers to only needing one signature on a check under \$250. Anything over \$250 will require two signatures. Linda Martin made a motion to accept the new By-Laws with the one change to Article 7.01. Second by Helen Wagner. Passed.
4. Leah Benoit showed a brochure regarding a 911 Cell Phone Program. The program is designed to help people that need phones to call 911 in an emergency situation. Old cell phones are programmed for 911 operation only. Lt. Mike Brown will check into the program further. If we decide to do the program, a brochure can be handed out at the Bake Sale for more exposure.
5. C.O.P.: Don Martin announced that Barney Snitz was the winner of the Name the COP column in the newsletter. The name will remain the same. Barney received a gift certificate. Don was looking for people to sign up on August 3, however, with the Symposium taking place that weekend, the car may have to just sit in the parking lot. Don said that they had a lot of fun doing the City of Bedford July 4<sup>th</sup> Parade. He hopes that we can do it again.
6. Chief Carmack informed the members that Eules has reviewed it's policies regarding the incidents that took place in Arlington and McKinney and found that these incidents should not happen as long as policy is followed properly. Training is in place. Chief Carmack also gave an update on the new Police Department. Projected move is still on track for October 12. The new facility will be computer software driven. Access keypads will allow people to be in only the areas assigned to

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them. Leah Benoit mentioned that we are scheduled to tour the new facility in September.

7. Lou Baum showed off the statute for the Police Department. Gary McKamie, Leah Benoit and Lou had a trip scheduled to Austin to give final approval of the statute.
8. Lt. Mike Brown bragged on the Association for having \$31,000 available to support the Police Department. He thanked Barney Snitz and Byron Benoit for supporting the Park/Community Services Department; Linda Martin for participating in the Citizen's Fire Academy. He said that we were interested in the entire community. In return, Barbara Lucas said that we have a fantastic Police Department.

#### COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR:

Byron Benoit mentioned how important it was to get the newsletter out on time, because so many people use that to remember the monthly meetings.

A motion was made by Don Martin to adjourn the meeting at 9:10 p.m. Second by Byron Benoit. Passed.



## EPD BIOS

### Brandon Zachary

Senior Patrol Officer Brandon Zachary, who has been with the department for 4 years, was born in Dallas. He is a Bicycle Officer and on the Tactical Team. Brandon lives in Corinth, near Denton, with his wife, Susan, who he eloped with after high school. He enjoys all sports but especially biking, hiking, hunting, and spending time with family and friends. He and Susan love to travel and have been to Europe and Mexico and looks forward to more traveling out of the country. When he is not working or traveling, Brandon goes to school. He is currently working toward his Master of Science degree in Criminal Justice at UNT.

Brandon's favorite book is the Bible. He is very active in his church and works with the Youth Group there. His favorite movies are Matrix and Mission Impossible II. As for interesting life experiences, Brandon lived in Colorado for 8 years and enjoys the new and unexpected that his profession affords.

Brandon excels in narcotics intervention and he is an informal leader on his shift. Sgt. Troy Remington says he has a horrendous pair of legs but other than that he, is a pretty good guy.

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happening.

In the meantime, I have been playing Nurse Don after Linda's knee surgery so I don't have much time to write. Gotta run – I think I hear the tinkling of that #&%\*\$#! bell I gave her when she needs something!

Call me if you can patrol in August or September...

Don Martin 817-283-7038!



### John Haecker

Officer John Haecker was born in Nacogdoches, but has lived in Euless for 21 of his 26 years. He has been in the department for 5 years, the first three as a detention officer and the last two as a police officer. He loved his family before the picture you see here appeared in this newsletter. Both of John's parents are graduates of the Euless Citizens Police Academy. He has 3 brothers and a sister, who is married to Scott Axton, who is also a Euless officer. John is returning to college this semester at Columbia University in Fort Worth. He enjoys collecting baseball cards, computer games, guns, golf, reading and sleeping. John loves to read but especially anything by W.E.B. Griffin or Richard Marcinko. He enjoys movies such as Heat, LA Confidential, You've Got Mail (you lost man points on that one!), Blast from the Past, The Natural, Field of Dreams, and For the Love of the Game. (Baseball much?)

John claims to have had no interesting life experiences. So taking liberty, we will say that he has worked for the Euless Parks Department as an Umpire and Groundskeeper, in the Jail and now as an officer.

He played baseball on the fields in Euless that he later stripped and mowed. His first job was at Kroger at 1060 N. Main, got his hair cut as a kid at Midway Barbershop when it was on Main at Midway, bought candy at the old EZ Mart on Hwy 10, and rode his bike to Crystal Mountain. He says he enjoys the variety of police work and working in the city where he grew up. It is no secret



