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Euleless Citizens Police Academy Alumni Association Monthly Newsletter

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2012 Officers

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Bereavement: Sharon Finnegan

Hospitality: Sharon Finnegan and
Helen Wagner

Newsletter: Leah Benoit

Submissions Welcome!

Do you have any funny stories,
e-mails, or photos to share with
our members?

Please e-mail your police-related
submissions to
lbenoit@vha.com

Submissions are due the first day
of each month.

Link to ECPAAA Web Page

<http://www.ecpaaa.org/>

Link to ECPAAA Calendar

<http://www.ecpaaa.org/cal.htm>

Link to ECPAAA Events List

[http://www.ecpaaa.org/
event.htm](http://www.ecpaaa.org/event.htm)



In Loving Memory of Pat McDowell 1938—2012

February Meeting Food Menu

Spaghetti with Meat Sauce
Tossed Green Salad
Garlic Bread
Dessert
Beverages



Time to Pay Your 2012 ECPAAA Dues

Our Treasurer, Steve Doty, will be collecting dues at the February 21st ECPAAA meeting. Dues are \$20. If paying by check, make check payable to ECPAAA and write 2012 Dues in the Memo line.

If you would like to mail in your dues, please mail them to:

ECPAAA
1102 W. Euleless Blvd.
Euleless, TX 76040

Our Mission: To provide the citizens of Euleless a better understanding of the dedication and integrity of the police department.

From the Desk of Chief Mike Brown

I wanted to take a few minutes of your time to tell you about one of the best people who ever worked here. We have an officer assigned to the Municipal Court, Corporal Pam Byers, she is an outstanding officer who has lead a very distinguished career with the Euless Police Department. Pam has decided to retire at the end of this month after a little more than 28 years of service to this community.

I met Pam when she was just a little girl. Her sister and I went through high school together and I use to hang around the Byers home on a regular basis. So our relationship goes way back before she came to EPD. Pam was a nurse before she came to us; so she instantly became the medical expert we all relied on to keep us and our families well back in those days. She was a young officer who had such drive and passion for this job that it was apparent almost from her first day that there would be no real question whether she was going to make it or not. She simply would not have it any other way!

Back when Pam came aboard we did not have any female officers, some had come but none had stayed with us. Pam endured the natural good natured teasing that all rookies are dealt, but she also had to put up with her fair share of people in the public who did not think women should be in police work. She paved the way for all the other women who have come after her, she fought battles and took arrows that none of the others had to take. She did this with style, class and true professionalism. I was fortunate enough to be Pam's Field Training Officer, and I did not take it easy on her. She did everything that everyone else had to do, there were no short cuts, no do overs, no cutting corners in her training. She withstood it all and finished her training with flying colors.

Pam went on to a successful stint in Patrol, she never backed down and stood her ground with all challenges. She transferred to CID and became an outstanding criminal investigator. She then went over to the Community Service section and developed programs and strategies that we still use to this day.

Pam transferred to the Municipal Court several years ago and has been a mainstay in that operation since her arrival. Pam has done an outstanding job in the Municipal Court. She used all of her expertise and experience to impact operations and processes to make the Court a more customer friendly operation. She is a true legend within the Euless Police Department and has left a true and lasting legacy with her service here.

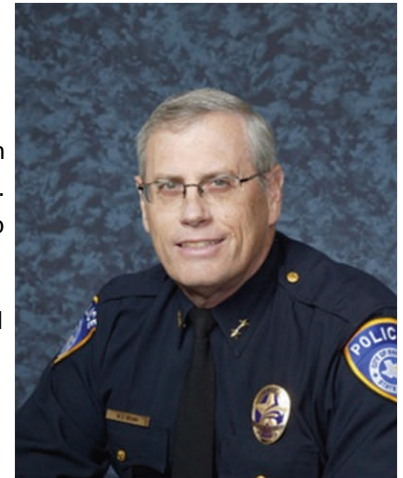
Pam's passion for this department and this community pales in comparison to the way she truly cares for others. Pam has the biggest heart, cares deeply for people and their situation and will do most anything to help anyone who needs help. Pam did most all of these things while battling a very debilitating health issue. Pam was diagnosed with MS back in the mid 90's. She learned how to live with this disease, she put a smile on her face and came to work on days and weeks that most of us would have surrendered and stayed home. Pam never surrendered an inch to this debilitating disease. She never lost her smile, her compassion for others or her intense desire to serve the people in this community.

Pam will be leaving the Euless Police Department in much better condition than what it was in when she began. If you get the chance to stop in and see her before she gets out the door I know she would enjoy getting to see you. For those of you who did not get the chance to meet Pam, you missed getting to know a great police officer and missed making a true friend.

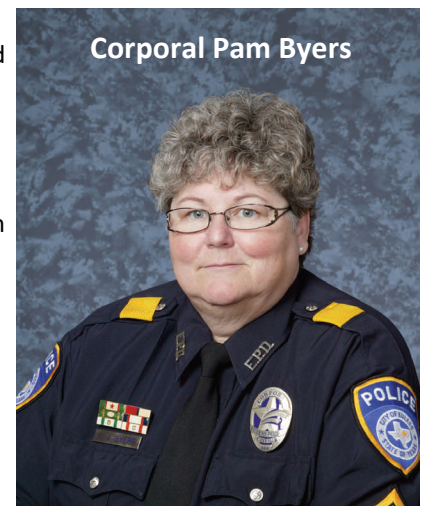
I will miss her! Enjoy your retirement Pam. You are always welcome here.

Your Servant,

Mike



Corporal Pam Byers



From the President — Loretta Doty

It was so nice to see so many warm smiles and friendly faces at our January meeting. I'm looking forward to meeting with you again in February and hope to see those of you that were unable to attend in January. Marian Goethe will share the findings of auditing the books in this upcoming meeting. We will be voting on submitting a CPA application with fee to the City for a fund-raising booth at Arbor Daze. Please attend the February 21st meeting and let your opinion count.

Two new members attended the informative COPS training on January 14th. If you write handicapped parking tickets, you will need to sign an affidavit for the court with Tony Burnett.

There are 3 streets having a Neighborhood Watch meeting on Tuesday, February 7th. Don't forget to organize or revitalize your street for the new push on Neighborhood Watch programs. Linda Martin has shared this web site to help <http://neighbors.whitepages.com/>. Our new CPA class will begin on Thursday, February 16th at 7pm. Please bring refreshments, welcome the members of the new class, and assist our NPO officers. Our alumni volunteer of the year will be announced at the Police Awards Banquet on Friday, February 17th. Warrant Round-up will begin on Monday, February 27th. Please let Leah Benoit know if you plan to be a part of this volunteer opportunity. Ken Denne assisted Code Compliance in a successful pilot project rechecking apartment complexes for compliance. If you wish to volunteer, call Code Compliance 817-685-1638.

The following alumni have volunteered to chair committees and lead in various positions:

Allen Samuels Appreciation Lunch – Lou Baum
Bake-Sale Booth Arbor Daze for Saturday, April 28th – Sandi Jones
BBQ Dinner/Auction – Leah Benoit overall coordinator with Faye Stinneford as Donation Chair
CPAANT Liaison – Geri Sorg
COPS – Don Martin
CRUD, Homecoming Parade, Trash-Off, Security Tower @ Arbor Daze – J.R. Goad/Lou Baum
Dispatch Appreciation Week – Betty Overstreet
Election Nominations – Sue Kosec
Hospitality – Sharon Finnegan & Helen Wagner
Parliamentarian – J.R. Goad
Treasurer Books Audit – Marian Goethe
Warrant Round-Up – Leah Benoit
Webmaster – Chris Shanahan

We still need alumni leadership for the following:

Bake-Sale Booth Arbor Daze for Sunday, April 29th
BBQ Dinner/Auction Chairs to oversee for the following breakdown: Food, Ticket Sales, Set-up, Clean-up
Bereavement (someone to organize assistance in case we have a loss in our police or alumni family)

I consider all alumni to be the fund-raising and membership committees. If you have a fund-raiser idea, please share it and participate in as many events as you are able. Attend the new classes to welcome citizens, invite them to visit our meetings and ask the new class members to join our organization whenever you can.

Don't forget to pay your dues because that shows support for our organizations' efforts, regardless of how much time we have to volunteer.

Hope you have a wonderful Valentine's Day and a piece of chocolate.



EPD Liaison — Senior Corporal Tony Burnett

2012 brings new challenges and opportunities for public safety. There has been much discussion about the need to hire and train additional officers this year. Currently, we have three officers in field training, one in the police academy and interview boards are meeting with new applicants. You may begin to notice several new faces around the building. With that being said, your support and hours of service have never been more appreciated. Don't slow down! In fact, there are several new ways to volunteer.

If you attended the COP training in January, you know that code enforcement has asked for assistance in identifying junk vehicles, high grass and other city ordinance violations. We recently obtained a sky trailer with seized drug funds to help combat burglary. The sky trailer can be parked almost anywhere and offer great surveillance of parking lots and construction areas. Look for a training date on this new equipment soon.

The next Citizens Police Academy starts on February 16th and will end on May 10th. Please attend one of the classes and introduce yourself to them. Consider yourselves invited to attend any of the classes. I believe that a good showing of alumni will help recruit new members after graduation.

Thank you for all the hard work and service you provide our officers, your efforts are noticed. Make sure you find our new Euless Police Department Facebook page and follow us. It's another great way to stay connected. See you next month!

Tony Burnett

**CPAANT Liaison — Geri Sorg
Waco — February 4, 2012**

The February meeting was held in Waco and the speaker was Detective Anne Cyr, Crimes Against Children. Parts of her PowerPoint presentation with information for services provided with contact numbers for Texas and Nationwide will be made available on the CPAANT website, www.cpaant.org.



The March meeting will be held in Coppell on Saturday, March 3, 2012. Please visit CPAANT's web site www.cpaant.org for the location and directions to the March meeting.

January 2012 Volunteer Hours

CID Clerical – 21 Hours 450 Minutes

Citizens On Patrol – 113 Hours 45 Minutes

Number of Handicap Citations Issued – 12

Number of Handicap Warnings Issued – 0

Number of Junk Vehicles Written – 2

Code – 8 Hours 15 Minutes

Courts – 20 Hours 30 Minutes

CPA/CERT Class – 0 Hours 0 Minutes

Crime Victims Assistance Program – 9 Hour 15 Minutes

Eules Police Club – 53 Hours 0 Minutes

Jail – 22 Hours 45 Minutes

Meetings – 41 Hours 0 Minutes

Includes the following:

ECPAAA Meeting – 37 Hours 0 Minutes

ECPAAA Financial Audit – 4 Hours 0 Minutes

Miscellaneous – 24 Hours 0 Minutes

Speed Trailer – 22 Hours 0 Minutes

Training— 95 Hours 0 Minutes

Includes the following:

CERT POD Training — 63 Hours 0 Minutes

Citizens On Patrol Training — 32 Hours 0 Minutes

Vehicle Maintenance – 57 Hours 0 Minutes

Watering of Plants – 6 Hours 30 Minutes

Grand Total – 494 Hours 45 Minutes

January Value of Volunteer Time — \$10,561.45

2012 Value of Volunteer Time — \$10,561.45

January Meeting — 29 Alumni Members Present



Upcoming Events

Feb 17 — Eules Police Awards Banquet, 7:00 pm;
Texas Star Conference Center

Feb 21 — ECPAAA Board Meeting, 6:15 pm; General
Meeting, 7 pm, Eules Police Department

Feb 27-March 2 — ECPAAA Warrant Round-Up Calls,
6:00-9:00 pm; Eules Police Department EOC Room

Feb 28 — City Council Meeting, 7 pm, City Hall

March 3 — CPAANT Meeting, 10 am—12 noon,
Coppell (location & directions can be found on
www.cpaant.org)

March 13 — City Council Meeting, 7 pm, City Hall

March 14 — Amateur Radio Eules, 7 pm, Eules
Police Department

March 20 — ECPAAA Board Meeting, 6:15 pm;
General Meeting, 7 pm, Eules Police Department



Officer Biography

John Haecker

Date of Biography: February 7, 2012

Current title with EPD: Detective

Year started and history with the EPD: 1996

Where were you born? Nacogdoches, Texas

In what city do you currently live? Bedford

Tell me a little about your family, spouse, children (ages), grandchildren, pets, etc.

My wife Amy teaches 6th, 7th and 8th grade reading at Birdville ISD. My daughter Julianne is in Kindergarten and is involved in singing, dance and piano. I have two dogs - Ranger and Maverick.

What are your hobbies? I enjoy spending time with my family, watching movies, attending sporting events and hunting.

What is your favorite part of being a detective?

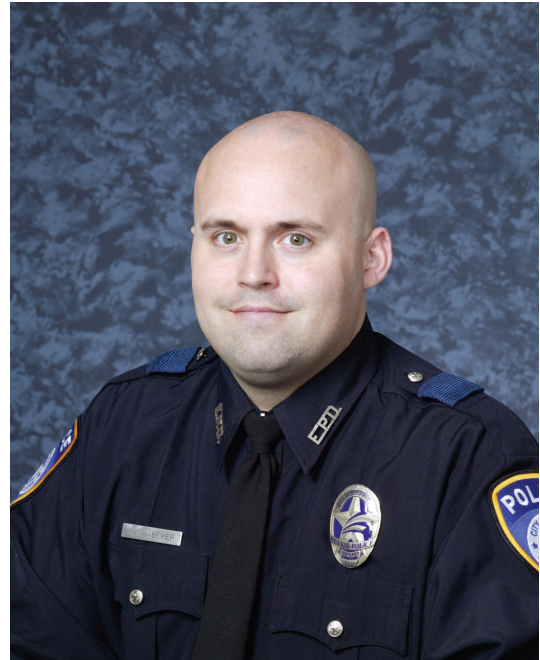
I enjoy the investigation aspect of working cases.

Any interesting or little-known facts about yourself...

My first job with the City of Euless was prepping the Little League Fields on Midway for games.

Who is your favorite celebrity? Nolan Ryan

What is your favorite food? Steak



CERT Point of Dispensing (POD) Training
January 12, 2012
By Jerri Balkon

Monica D. Tipton, Medical Reserve Corps Coordinator with the Tarrant County Public Health trained the Euless CERT members on Point of Dispensing (POD). The goals of the POD are:

- (1) To provide medication or vaccination medication to a large number of people within a certain amount of hours. We have 1.8 Million people in Tarrant County that would need to be treated within a 72 hour time frame.
- (2) To decrease the number of people who will become ill.
- (3) To aid in the prevention of disease associated deaths.

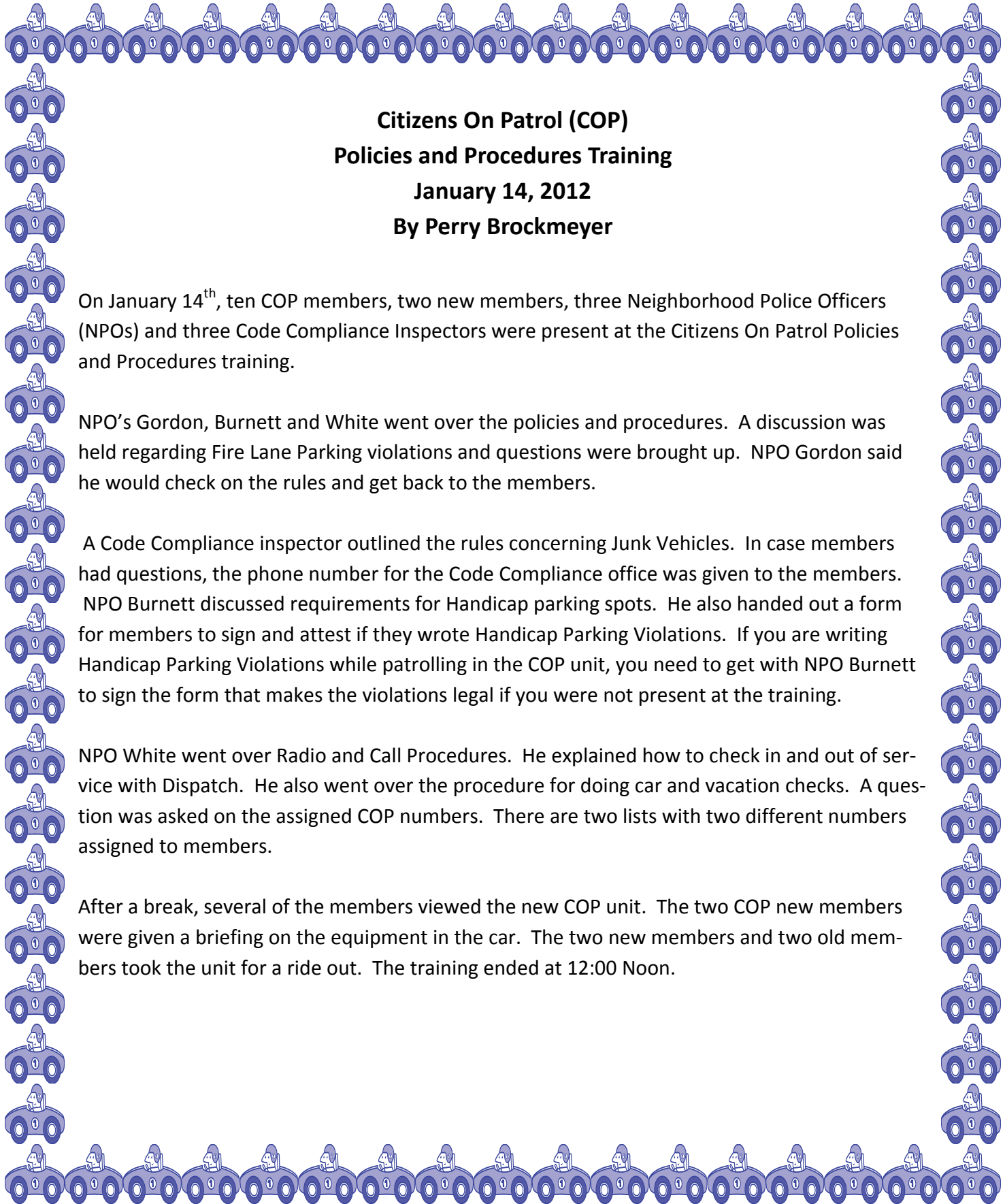
Only the governor or his designated personnel can request a POD. POD locations can be either walk-up or drive-thru and must be appropriate in size and layout, able to be secured, and accessible by all. PODs are activated in response to large-scale public health emergencies such as disease outbreaks (H1N1), natural disasters, and acts of terrorism.

The medications and supplies come from strategic placed national stockpiles. The locations of these stockpiles are only known to the CDC. They have 12 18-wheelers and it would take them 12 hours to bring in the medications or vaccines and the pre-packed push packs. There is also Vendor Managed Inventory which has to be hand-packed and can take up to 24 to 36 hours to be in place to be used.

In order to work at a POD you have to go on-line and sign-up. When PODs are activated you will be contracted by telephone, fax, and or e-mail. You will be given specific instructions about where and when to report and any additional instructions or information. The POD will remain open until the mission has been achieved. There are usually two 12 hour shifts but Monica allows you to sign-up in 2 hour increments of time. There are 40 positions if staffed correctly and completely but most of the time they do not operate fully staffed. The roles are assigned based on skills and the need of the operation and you may be reassigned as the needs of the operation change. When you report for duty you will need to bring your driver's license or another form of state issued picture ID. If you have medical training you will also need to either bring a copy of your license or at least your license number with you. Also bring with you any items that you will need to ensure your personal comfort such as water and snacks. If you are on medications and will need to take these during your shift bring these with you also. Dress comfortably and appropriately for the weather conditions and remember to wear closed-toe shoes and no sandals. Do not bring large sums of cash or purses or children or pets or weapons.

First responders will receive any medications or vaccinations first and as volunteers you are considered 4th layer responders after the police, fire personnel, and hospital workers. You and your family will be given the medications or vaccinations. You will be given your medication or vaccination before your shift begins. As a CERT trained individual this should be a part of your family's disaster plan.

You can go to www.bealocalhero.or/tarrantcounty for more information if you are interested in volunteering to work at a POD in Tarrant County.



Citizens On Patrol (COP)

Policies and Procedures Training

January 14, 2012

By Perry Brockmeyer

On January 14th, ten COP members, two new members, three Neighborhood Police Officers (NPOs) and three Code Compliance Inspectors were present at the Citizens On Patrol Policies and Procedures training.

NPO's Gordon, Burnett and White went over the policies and procedures. A discussion was held regarding Fire Lane Parking violations and questions were brought up. NPO Gordon said he would check on the rules and get back to the members.

A Code Compliance inspector outlined the rules concerning Junk Vehicles. In case members had questions, the phone number for the Code Compliance office was given to the members.

NPO Burnett discussed requirements for Handicap parking spots. He also handed out a form for members to sign and attest if they wrote Handicap Parking Violations. If you are writing Handicap Parking Violations while patrolling in the COP unit, you need to get with NPO Burnett to sign the form that makes the violations legal if you were not present at the training.

NPO White went over Radio and Call Procedures. He explained how to check in and out of service with Dispatch. He also went over the procedure for doing car and vacation checks. A question was asked on the assigned COP numbers. There are two lists with two different numbers assigned to members.

After a break, several of the members viewed the new COP unit. The two COP new members were given a briefing on the equipment in the car. The two new members and two old members took the unit for a ride out. The training ended at 12:00 Noon.

**EULESS CITIZENS POLICE
ACADEMY
ALUMNI ASSOCIATION
GENERAL MEETING MINUTES**

December 20, 2011

January 17, 2012

Meeting Called to Order at 7:00 PM

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Jerri Balkon, Lou Baum, Renee Bier-schenk, Leah Benoit, Perry Brockmeyer, John Deithloff, Loretta Doty, Steve Doty, Sharon Finnegan, JR Goad, Marian Goethe, Marian Holden, Pete Jones, Sandi Jones, Jerrie Keller, Sue Kosec, Don Martin, Linda Martin, Dawn Nisbet, Betty Overstreet, Betty Priddy, Wayne Priddy, Judy Rick, Barney Snitz, Faye Stinneford, Tim Stinneford, Susan Vest, Helen Wagner and Julie Watkins

**INVOCATION, PLEDGE OF ALLE-
GIANCE & TEXAS ALLEGIANCE:**

J.R. Goad

INSTALLATION OF NEW OFFICERS:

Chief Brown administered the oath to the 2012 Executive Board.

Our guest speaker, Tony Burnett, spoke on the Neighborhood Watch Program. You can reach Tony at 817-685-1685 if you are interested in a Neighborhood Watch in your area. He also mentioned that the EPD has taken to Facebook and Twitter.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

A thank you card was passed around from the Wong family.

Julie Watkins updated the members on the Christmas meals.

Leah Benoit announced member volunteered 5,056.5 hours in 2011. Slightly down from 2010. Our volunteer hours equal 2.67 people. Members were reminded to record hours in the office. Captain Landers mentioned that a new volunteer project is being discussed to help Code Enforcement. More details to come in the following months.

NEW BUSINESS

Tim Stinneford made a motion to accept the December Minutes and Faye Stinneford seconded the motion. It was passed.

Sandi Jones made a motion to accept the December Treasurer's Report, seconded by Pete Jones. Motion passed.

The annual Town Hall Meeting will be on January 26 at 7:00 pm in the City Council Chambers.

Jerri Balkon talked about the training session that was provided to CERT members. The topic was Point of Dispensing and is used for mass distribution of medicine. If interested, please go on-line to register.

Perry Brockmeyer talked about the COPS refresher meeting. Items discussed were rules and regulations, fire lane reporting, and the swearing in for handicap violations.

A Committee List was passed around for members to sign up. Loretta Doty also asked if anyone was interested in taking over the newsletter and volunteer hours. No volunteers, so Leah Benoit will continue to do both.

Audit Committee: Marian Goethe, Sandi Jones and Pete Jones volunteered to review the 2011 financials before the end of January.

The new CPA class will begin February 16.

Volunteer Opportunities: J.R. Goad will have sign up sheets available next month for Arbor Daze, CRUD and Trash Off.

Pete Jones made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Julie Watkins seconded the motion. Motion was passed and the meeting was adjourned at 8:02 pm.

**Wishing
Valerie
Hinde
a Speedy
Recovery
from
Surgery!**

January 2012 Treasurer's Report

INCOME	Carry Over	January	YTD Income	Annual Budget	Over/Under Budget
12/31/11 Balance in Checking	\$19,725.43				
Afghan Fundraiser		\$35.00	\$35.00	\$0.00	\$35.00
BBQ Dinner/Silent Auction			\$0.00	\$8,400.00	-\$8,400.00
Brick Sales			\$0.00	\$150.00	-\$150.00
CRUD Day			\$0.00	\$1,400.00	-\$1,400.00
Donations/Outside Income			\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Grocery Care Cards			\$0.00	\$50.00	-\$50.00
Membership Dues		\$380.00	\$380.00	\$1,500.00	-\$1,120.00
Member Merchandise			\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Recycle Program (Cans & Cartridges)			\$0.00	\$200.00	-\$200.00
Recycle Program (Electronics)			\$0.00	\$200.00	-\$200.00
Restaurant Fund Raisers		\$22.00	\$22.00	\$200.00	-\$178.00
Warrant Roundup			\$0.00	\$1,000.00	-\$1,000.00
Funds used to cover Major Projects			\$0.00	\$7,000.00	-\$7,000.00
Total Income		\$437.00	\$437.00	\$20,100.00	-\$19,663.00
Total	\$19,725.43	\$20,162.43	\$20,162.43		
EXPENSES	Carry Over	January	YTD Expenses	Annual Budget	Over/Under Budget
9-1-1 Day			\$0.00	\$250.00	-\$250.00
Audit - Treasurer's Records			\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
BBQ Silent Auction			\$0.00	\$1,500.00	-\$1,500.00
Bricks			\$0.00	\$250.00	-\$250.00
Checking Account Expenses			\$0.00	\$25.00	-\$25.00
CPANNT Dues			\$0.00	\$25.00	-\$25.00
Expenses Not Categorized			\$0.00	\$25.00	-\$25.00
Honorarium Awards and Gifts			\$0.00	\$100.00	-\$100.00
Member Merchandise Items			\$0.00	\$300.00	-\$300.00
Memorials and Gifts		\$100.00	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$0.00
Office Supplies			\$0.00	\$150.00	-\$150.00
PALS Summer Camp			\$0.00	\$1,000.00	-\$1,000.00
Police Appreciation Week			\$0.00	\$400.00	-\$400.00
Police Chief Wish Projects			\$0.00	\$8,000.00	-\$8,000.00
Police Honor Guard			\$0.00	\$6,000.00	-\$6,000.00
Police Officer Christmas Meals			\$0.00	\$200.00	-\$200.00
Postage/Envelopes for Newsletters			\$0.00	\$200.00	-\$200.00
President Awards			\$0.00	\$150.00	-\$150.00
Social Events			\$0.00	\$300.00	-\$300.00
Allen Samuels Dodge Appreciation Lunch			\$0.00	\$400.00	-\$400.00
Water by the Gallon			\$0.00	\$650.00	-\$650.00
Web Site/Domain Name			\$0.00	\$75.00	-\$75.00
Total Expenses		\$100.00	\$100.00	\$20,100.00	-\$20,000.00
Funds Available in Checking			\$20,062.43		
SAVINGS ACCOUNT					
Major Projects/Future Projects	\$10,061.45		\$10,061.45		
Interest from Savings Account		\$0.35	\$0.35		
Funds Available in Savings			\$10,061.80		

Total ECPAAA Funds

\$30,124.23

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