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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>

February Speaker

Jamie Becker

**Firearm & Toolmark Examiner
Tarrant County Medical Examiner's Office**

Ms. Jamie Becker earned her B.S. in Chemistry from the University of South Alabama in 1993. She has been employed in Forensic Sciences for twenty-five years, twenty of those years as a Firearm & Toolmark Examiner. She has worked for the Alabama Department of Forensic Sciences in Mobile, AL; the Arkansas State Crime Laboratory in Little Rock, AR; the Florida Department of Law Enforcement Crime Laboratory in Tallahassee, FL; and the Bexar County Medical Examiners Office & Crime Laboratory in San Antonio, TX; prior to her arrival in Fort Worth, TX to work for the Tarrant County Medical Examiner's Office and Crime Laboratory in August 2002.

Ms. Becker is a Certified and Distinguished Member of the Association of Firearm & Toolmark Association (AFTE). She has served on federal and international committees in her discipline and has a vast background on crime guns and ammunition. She has provided court testimony over one hundred and sixty times in federal, district and juvenile court proceedings. Most memorable was being filmed by the Courtroom Television Network, commonly known as "Court TV", while testifying in Tallahassee, FL.

Jamie enjoys the shooting sports, particularly the shotgun shooting sport of Trap (Singles, Doubles and Handicap Events). She won the title of Texas Lady State Champion in 2008 and 2012, currently is the #2 Lady on the State Team, and is ranked in the top 100 Lady shooters in North America in the event of Trap Singles.

**CONGRATULATIONS
LORETTA!
ECPAAA VOLUNTEER
OF THE YEAR**



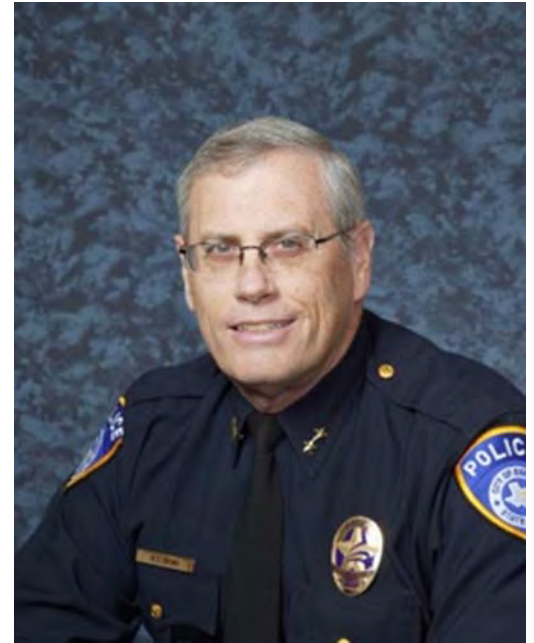
Our Mission: To provide the citizens of Euleless a better understanding of the dedication and integrity of the police department.

From the Desk of Chief Mike Brown

Thanks to all of you who were able to attend our Awards Banquet. If you missed it you missed a great evening of friends, fun and food. The food and the service at the Texas Star were excellent, as always. Charles Thornton delivered a great message. Charles has been a friend of the Euless Police Department for many years and it was great of him to share his humor and his wisdom with us again. I first met Charles when he was an associate pastor at First Baptist Church in Euless about 30 years ago. He is truly a community asset. Though he has a church in Grapevine, Charles will always be a Euless guy to me.

For those of you who missed this year's banquet, please try to make the next one. We always have a great evening where we recognize and pay respect to those who have gone above and beyond in the previous year. It's a great place to meet some of the officers that you haven't had a chance to meet and to run into some old and new friends.

In case you missed the award winners, here they are!



Euless Police Department 2012 Awards

Officer of the Year	Josh Bennett
Civilian of the Year	Darla Wilson
Supervisor of the Year	David Chaney
Distinguished Service (Sworn)	Bill Norwood
Distinguished Service (Civilian)	Sharon Shiflet-White
Blackie Sustaire Award	Maria Lopez
Volunteer of the Year	Mark Massey
The ECPAAA Volunteer of the Year	Loretta Doty

This was a good year for the Euless Police Department and I thank each of you for the role you played in that success. I've always said that a community gets the police department it deserves. In other words, the only way to have a responsive police department is for the community to be involved with their police department and willing to hold that department accountable. I treasure the minutes you give us and appreciate all the things that you do to help this department and the community.

Thanks again for all you do!

Your Servant,
Mike

February Menu

DINNER ALL WRAPPED UP FOR A BROWN BAG SPECIAL!

From the President — Loretta Doty

It was so nice to see so many of you at our January meeting. Wouldn't it be great if our CPA has a tremendously successful fundraising booth this year at Arbor Daze? So I would like for all of you to be thinking about a fundraising booth idea for Arbor Daze and come to the February meeting and share your thoughts.

Don't forget to patrol in the COP car and watch in the Sky Tower when you have spare time. Revitalize your neighborhood watch groups too in your other spare time. You may use this web site to help with names in your neighborhood - <http://neighbors.whitepages.com/>. Eules needs all of us being active and watchful.

Our new CPA class will begin on Thursday, February 21st at 7pm. Please bring refreshments, welcome the members of the new class, and assist our NPO officers. Remember, we as alumni will not be attending the classes on a regular basis unless our NPO's specifically request in advance our help for the meeting.



The following alumni have volunteered to chair these committees and lead in various positions:		ECPAAA still needs alumni to take the lead on these committees and be an apprentice to the alumni mentors:	
Committee	Chair Person(s)	Committee	Alumni Member(s)
Arbor Daze	J.R. Goad & Lou Baum	911 Dispatch Day	Betty Overstreet Mentor
Care and Concern	Betty Priddy & Julie Watkins	BBQ / Auction Event	Leah Benoit Mentor
COPS	Don Martin	Can Recycling	J.R. Goad Mentor
Christmas Parade	J.R. Goad & Lou Baum	Convention Booth	David Lawwill is considering this task
CPAANT Liaison	Geri Sorg	Electronic Recycling	Lou Baum Mentor
CRUD	J.R. Goad & Lou Baum	Fund Raising	Faye Stinneford Mentor
EPD Open House	J.R. Goad & Lou Baum	Historian	
Hospitality for CPA Meetings	Sharon Finnegan & Helen Wagner	Merchandise Sales	Faye Stinneford & Julie Watkins Mentors
Newsletter	Leah Benoit	Nominating	Sue Kosec Mentor
Parliamentarian	J.R. Goad	PAL's Summer Camp	
Plant Watering	Leah Benoit, Betty Priddy, Faye Stinneford & Helen Voss	Sky Tower	Loren Johnson Mentor
Police Appreciation Week	Jerrie Keller, Faye Stinneford, Helen Voss & Julie Watkins	Speed Trailer	Ken Denne & Scott Thomas Mentors
Programs for Meetings	Leah Benoit		
Public Information	John Luna		
Shredding at PD	Don Martin & Jud Park		
Trash-off	Tyler Van Horne		
Trinity Homecoming Parade	J.R. Goad & Lou Baum		
Vehicle Maintenance	Eric Bessemer		
Volunteer Hours Tracking	Leah Benoit		
Warrant Round-up	Leah Benoit		
Webmaster City Liaison	John Luna		



If you are interested in any of these volunteer opportunities, consider being part of the committee or taking the lead as chair and let the mentor and your executive board know. Don't forget to pay your dues. Also remember that the front doors will be locked at 7pm for the meeting; be early or you will need to enter through the jail or back door.

EPD Liaison — Senior Corporal Tony Burnett

Hello Alumni. I want to say something to all of you. Are you listening? Are you paying attention? It means a lot for me to be able to tell you this. I can say it in six words and here it goes: You make me a better person. Some of you are rolling your eyes right now asking "what's he need now"? or "come on man". No, it's true, let me explain.

Recently I had the opportunity to volunteer for an organization. The application process was a nightmare and the work was hard. At times through the process I kept asking myself "why am I doing this" and more than once I wanted to quit. I then thought about our COP's out in the rain, Scott and Ken fighting traffic to deploy the speed trailer and our board members losing sleep over the budget. I thought of Loren Johnson sitting in the Sky Trailer for hours. These things kept ME going. You see, I was viewing things from a different perspective. I was not being paid to coordinate volunteers, I was one! I wasn't giving my money for someone else to do the work; I was giving my time to get the work done!

It reminded me that time is the most precious thing we have and can share. I can never repay what you have shown me much less what you have done for this Police Department. You are simply an amazing group of people and I am fortunate to work with each of you. I will see you on February 21st for the first night of CPA# 29. Remember, this night is open for you to attend. See you then.



CPAANT Liaison — Geri Sorg

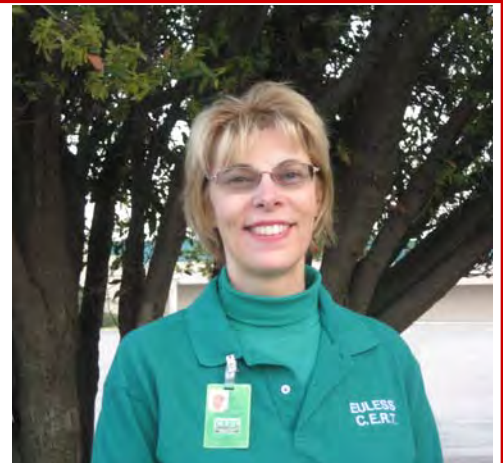
CPAANT Meeting
Arlington— February 2, 2013

The February meeting took place at the Sheraton Hotel in Arlington where the 2013 TCPAAA Convention will be held and there were 17 CPAANT cities in attendance. Pat Struble with the Arlington CPAAA updated the CPAANT members on the progress they have made for the convention planning. Pat stressed that all CPAANT members help will be needed for the convention. A tour was given by the Sheraton on the facility after the meeting was adjourned.

The Chief's Round Table will be held on Saturday, July 27th and CPAANT requested our own Chief Mike Brown be the moderator this year and he has graciously accepted.

It was announced that at last year's convention in Waco there were 62 Citizens Police Academy Alumni Associations represented resulting in 262 attendees. You can find 2013 convention information on CPAANT's website and for those that are planning on attending, please take notice of the June 1st registration deadline.

Next month's meeting will be held in Lewisville. Please visit CPAANT's Web Site www.cpaant.org for additional information and directions to the monthly meetings.



January 2013 Volunteer Hours

- CID Clerical – 22 Hours 15 Minutes
- Citizens On Patrol – 74 Hours 0 Minutes
Includes the following:
 - COP Car – 69 Hours 0 Minutes
 - COP Sky Tower – 5 Hours 0 Minutes
 Number of Handicap Citations Issued – 1
- Courts – 42 Hours 30 Minutes
- Crime Victims Assistance Program – 9 Hour 30 Minutes
- Eules Radio Club – 59 Hours 0 Minutes
- Jail – 10 Hours 15 Minutes
- Meetings – 114 Hours 0 Minutes
Includes the following:
 - CPAAANT Meeting – 5 Hours 0 Minutes
 - ECPAAA Meeting – 109 Hours 0 Minutes
- Miscellaneous – 47 Hours 0 Minutes
- Speed Trailer – 4 Hours 45 Minutes
- Vehicle Maintenance – 0 Hours 0 Minutes
- Watering of Plants – 10 Hours 30 Minutes

Grand Total – 393 Hours 45 Minutes

January National Value of Volunteer Time – \$8,542.77

2013 National Value of Volunteer Time – \$8,542.77

January Meeting – 47 Alumni Members Present

Upcoming Events

- Feb 12 — City Council Meeting, 7:00 pm, City Hall
- Feb 13 — Amateur Radio Eules, 7:00 pm, Eules Police Department Emergency Operations Center
- Feb 19 — ECPAAA Board Meeting, 6:15 pm; General Meeting, 7:00 pm, Eules Police Department
- Feb 21 — Citizens Police Academy Class 29, 7:00 pm; Eules Police Department Training Room
- Feb 26 — City Council Meeting, 7:00 pm, City Hall
- March 2 — CPAANT Regional Meeting, 10:00 am — 12:00 noon, Lewisville (location & directions can be found on www.cpaant.org)
- March 12 — City Council Meeting, 7:00 pm, City Hall
- March 13 — Amateur Radio Eules, 7:00 pm, Eules Police Department Emergency Operations Center
- March 19 — ECPAAA Board Meeting, 6:15 pm; General Meeting, 7:00 pm, Eules Police Department

January Volunteer Hours Comparison
By Lou Baum

Month
2013 – 394 Hours
2012 – 495 Hours
20% Decrease

It's time to pay your 2013 ECPAAA Dues! They are only \$20 and our Treasurer, Kyla Oberg, will be collecting them at the February 19th meeting. Make check payable to ECPAAA. You can also mail your dues to:

ECPAAA
Attn: Kyla Oberg
1102 W. Eules Blvd.
Eules, TX 76040

Happy Birthday ECPAAA Members

- Faye Stinneford — 2/11
- Scotty Scott — 2/12
- Loretta Doty — 2/14

- Mary Ferris — 2/17
- Maurya Krista — 2/17

- Leo Neal — 2/24
- Ricki Riddle — 2/24
- Perry Brockmeyer — 2/26

**EULESS CITIZENS POLICE ACADEMY
ALUMNI ASSOCIATION**

GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

January 15, 2013

Meeting Called to Order at 7:15 PM

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Jozef Balint, Jerri Balkon, Melody Balkon, Minuet Balkon, Lou Baum, Leah Benoit, Perry Brockmeyer, Brenda Brown, Rusty Brown, Sherri Browning, Shirley Daily, Loretta Doty, Steve Doty, Misty Engelmann, Stacey Foust, Kay Goad, J.R. Goad, Marian Goethe, Kendall Hall, Doris Hammond, Lorri Henderson, Valerie Hinde, Loren Johnson, Pete Jones, Sandi Jones, Jerrie Keller, John Koren, Sue Kosec, John Luna, Molly Mad-dux, Don Martin, Leo Neal, Kyla Oberg, Betty Overstreet, Betty Priddy, Judy Rick, Cynthia Schmidt, Albert Simmenroth, Barney Snitz, Geri Sorg, Rose-Marie Stevens, Faye Stinneford, Tim Stinneford, Tyler Van Horne, Peggy Vandiver, Susan Vest and Julie Watkins.

Chief Mike Brown sworn in the 2013 ECPAAA officers.

Guest Speaker: Chief Mike Brown
He spoke about the changes coming to the Police Department. Within the top positions of command in the organization he will be losing 6 officers due to retirement. He doesn't know what the new structure will look like but room for a lot of people to move up. He's excited about what is to come. He discussed they don't use the "P word" for Pursuit much anymore. Normal traffic stops are not a pursuit. If they say they are in pursuit all aspects must be looked into more paperwork. With Eules procedures anytime in pursuit the Supervisor can call it off. In closing he expressed how great the volunteers are and always there to help him and also all the hours that are put in by volunteers. He wants us to expect the best from them and keep raising the bar for his department.

OLD BUSINESS:

John Luna made a motion to accept the December meeting minutes. Tim Stinneford seconded the motion. Minutes approved.

NEW BUSINESS:

Loretta advised to members CRUD money will be divided by percentage.

Tim Stinneford made motion to approve the December budget. Julie Watkins seconded the motion. Budget approved.

We were advised that the Police Department really appreciated the Christmas food.

Leah Benoit announced that three bricks have been ordered and will advise when she receives them. There were two officer of the year bricks ordered.

Geri Sorg gave update on CPAANT Meeting in December. The past Duncanville Police Chief was there. They went over train safety. She advised next meeting will be at the Sheraton in Arlington inviting everyone to attend. The meeting in Arlington will be Feb 2nd starting at 10 am to 12 noon. Chief's round table is July 27th.

Senior Corporal Tony Burnett advised the new class for Police Alumni will be February 21st and they have 29 people signed up for the class. We have been asked to bring food and only attend first meeting.

Arlington Convention is July 24th-26th. Tony would like a big showing from us. Our Alumni is known all over Texas for the great things we do. Tony suggested we have a table at the convention. Loretta advised booth cost is \$30.00. Tim Stinneford advised in order to work the booth you need to register, which they believe costs \$110.00. Tim also advised if you want to work the table, the convention table area is only open for a short time during the convention. A follow-up is being done on cost for attending. Kayla Oberg made a motion to have a table at the convention. John Luna seconded the motion. Table approved.

Loretta advised this year committee members will be mentors. Anyone interested in a committee should get a hold of that member and they will take you under their wing.

Loretta brought up the idea of having gift cards for a fundraiser at our meetings. We need a fundraising committee to work on this idea.

Leah is heading up a By-Laws committee. Anyone interested in this committee contact Leah.

Loretta passed out the information for the card fundraisers with Kroger and Albertson's.

Loretta advised that the Rec Center has a new basketball floor. Also Town Hall meeting is January 24th.

Loretta advised Chief Brown has a wish list for two new laser guns. Gary Landers read us a letter of why the police department has this need. The two guns and two adapters cost is \$5,100.12. Sandi Jones made a motion to purchase the equipment. Pete Jones seconded the motion. Motion was approved.

Tim Stinneford advised we need to do this before budget was approved. Not enough money in the wish fund. Tim made a motion to move \$5,000.00 from general fund to wish fund. Sherri Browning seconded the motion. Motion was approved by all.

Sherri Browning made a motion to pay for the laser equipment. Faye Stinneford seconded the motion. Motion was approved by all.

Judy Rick brought up that thank you notes for donation not going out in timely manner.

Jerry Goad has a lot of events coming up if anyone is interested in volunteering. Trash off is April 6th.

Peggy Vandiver made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Motion was seconded by Faye Stinneford. Motion approved and meeting adjourned at 8:45 pm.

ALUMNI CORNER



Spotlight on Doris Hammond

by Rosemarie Stevens



Our new secretary, Doris Hammond, has been kind enough to share some of her life story with us. She was born in Clearfield, Pennsylvania, a farming community. The population of her home town was 45, so everyone knew everyone else. The closeness of the community meant that the residents did not hesitate to help each other. She wrote that her father raised his family to be active members of the community, a lesson she has never forgotten.

She wrote that she had 25 years of marriage to a “wonderful man” with whom she raised six children; she has been a widow for eight years, but has many cherished memories. She wrote of how she and her husband owned and operated their own 18-wheeler and used it to move Broadway shows between the US and Canada for nine years. Because of this, she was able to see many places and meet a lot of people. She and her husband also traveled a great deal before they invested in the truck thanks to his job as an operating engineer. During those earlier years, they lived in seven states. Doris even lived in a tent for a month while in Wasatch Front in Utah. Her travels have taken her to all but four of the 50 states.

As mentioned earlier, she and her husband raised six children. She now has eight grandchildren living in different parts of the US. She has a sister who lives in Atlanta, Georgia. Her sister is a professional photography, and Doris enjoys spending time with her, her own camera in hand. She still loves traveling, and tries to have her camera with her at all times.

Although she has lived in Euless for 30 years, she still finds gardening a challenge. She wrote that up North, she did not have to cope with clay soil and 100-degree temperatures. In addition to gardening, she also enjoys reading light fiction and watching family movies on TV.

One of her favorite parts of the CPA class was going to the gun range. She wrote that this activity brought back memories of hunting in Pennsylvania. She also enjoyed the session focusing on narcotics and learning about what the illegal drugs were and where they are often hidden. As for our meetings, she would like to have speakers teach us more about narcotics, human trafficking and child abuse, serious problems plaguing our society.

Doris spends a great deal of her free time volunteering; her volunteering activities allow her to help the community and meet new people. She assists the Parks and Recreation Department and has been recognized by them for being the Captain of Camp Hydration for the Komen Three-Day Run for the past five years. She is a Family Coordinator for the Snowball Express. The focus of this event is to enable children who have lost a parent in military service to share Christmas. Texas has hosted this event for the past three years, bringing in 1500 people. Doris had worked as a Reservation Staff Assistant for American Airlines for 26 years, and the knowledge she gained while working in various reservation departments made her a natural for arranging the charter flights with American Airlines that brought the Snowball Express participants to Texas.

Doris is also certified with the Red Cross; she assists the Northeast Tarrant County Kiwanis and gives a helping hand to Big Brothers and Sisters. Her usual form of recognition for her service is a warm smile, so let us all give her a warm smile the next time we see her.

January 2013 Treasurer's Report

INCOME	Carry Over	January	YTD Income	Annual Budget	Over/Under Budget
12/31/12 Balance in Checking	\$30,729.67				
Afghan Fundraiser			\$0.00	\$35.00	-\$35.00
BBQ Dinner/Silent Auction			\$0.00	\$10,000.00	-\$10,000.00
Brick Sales			\$0.00	\$150.00	-\$150.00
CRUD Day			\$0.00	\$700.00	-\$700.00
Donations/Outside Income			\$0.00	\$500.00	-\$500.00
Grocery Care Cards			\$0.00	\$50.00	-\$50.00
Membership Dues		\$500.00	\$500.00	\$1,600.00	-\$1,100.00
Member Merchandise		\$69.00	\$69.00	\$100.00	-\$31.00
Recycle Program (Cans & Cartridges)		\$50.33	\$50.33	\$250.00	-\$199.67
Recycle Program (Electronics)			\$0.00	\$50.00	-\$50.00
Fundraisers			\$0.00	\$250.00	-\$250.00
Warrant Roundup			\$0.00	\$850.00	-\$850.00
Funds Used to Cover Major Projects			\$0.00	\$3,390.00	-\$3,390.00
Total Income		\$619.33	\$619.33	\$17,925.00	-\$17,305.67
Total	\$30,729.67	\$31,349.00	\$31,349.00		
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	\$5,000.00	-\$5,000.00
Bricks			\$0.00	\$300.00	-\$300.00
Checking Account Expenses			\$0.00	\$100.00	-\$100.00
CPANNT Dues			\$0.00	\$25.00	-\$25.00
Fundraisers			\$0.00	\$1,000.00	-\$1,000.00
Expenses Not Categorized			\$0.00	\$250.00	-\$250.00
Honorarium Awards and Gifts			\$0.00	\$100.00	-\$100.00
Member Merchandise Items			\$0.00	\$300.00	-\$300.00
Memorials and Gifts			\$0.00	\$300.00	-\$300.00
Office Supplies		\$72.50	\$72.50	\$300.00	-\$227.50
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	\$3,500.00	-\$3,500.00
Police Honor Guard			\$0.00	\$3,500.00	-\$3,500.00
Police Officer Christmas Meals			\$0.00	\$300.00	-\$300.00
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
Water by the Gallon			\$0.00	\$650.00	-\$650.00
Total Expenses		\$72.50	\$72.50	\$17,925.00	-\$17,852.50
Money Transferred to Savings		\$21,250.87	\$21,250.87		
Money Transferred from Savings			\$0.00		
Funds Available in Checking			\$10,025.63		
SAVINGS ACCOUNT					
Major Projects/Future Projects	\$10,065.48		\$10,065.48		
Interest from Savings Account		\$0.47	\$0.47		
Savings Deposit		\$21,250.87	\$21,250.87		
Savings Withdrawal			\$0.00		
Funds Available in Savings			\$31,316.82		
Total ECPAAA Funds			\$41,342.45		