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2010 Officers

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1st Vice President: Jerry Goad

2nd Vice President: Lou Baum

Secretary: Sandi Jones

Treasurer: Leah Benoit

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Hospitality: Sharon Finnegan and
Helen Wagner

Newsletter: Leah Benoit and
Rosemarie Stevens

2010 ECPAAA Dues

It's time to renew your membership! You can either pay your dues, which are \$20, at the January meeting or you can mail your dues to:

ECPAAA

Attn: 2010 Dues

1102 W. Euleless Boulevard

Euleless, TX 76040

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 eulesscpa@sbcglobal.net

Submissions are due the first day of each month.



Welcome 2010 ECPAAA Officers

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First Vice President — Jerry Goad

Second Vice President — Lou Baum

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Congratulations to Bill Ridgway! Bill was the winner of the beautiful custom quilt hand-made by Julie Watkins, Jerrie Keller and Faye Stinneford.



Sgt. Eric Starnes

I hope everyone had an enjoyable Christmas, but if you are like me you are glad it is over with because of all the hustle and bustle of trying to get everything done. However, after watching kids open presents and cleaning up the mess it is then cruise control until normal routines kick back in. Pssst ... that would be school for the parents out there.

The rest of my article is geared towards the Citizens on Patrol. During this last fall the Police Department underwent an internal audit. We did exceedingly well with the audit, but we got dinged in one area. That was for our tracking numbers on our citations. For those that actually write tickets, if you will look on the top line of the citation there is a number. This number tracks how the citations are issued, and if officers either mess up the ticket or decide not to issue it then they are supposed to write a letter to the Chief with an explanation. Officers being officers have taken voided citations and tore them up without notifying anyone. This created holes in the sequential numbering, and that is what showed up on the audit. For years some officers thought that the sequential tracking numbers were inconsequential, much to their surprise when audit results came back.

The reason I have said all of this is because I need to also train my ticket writing COP's. I know that some have come across situations where you didn't finish out a citation for whatever reason. It is okay to void a citation, but because the citation numbers are actually tracked, we still have to account for them. If you are out on patrol and start to write a ticket, but cancel out the citation, please take all copies of the ticket and just write a little note with it explaining why it was voided and place it where you turn in citations. I will then take that citation and do a formal letter with it that will take care of the rest.

I hope everyone is off to a good start in the new year.



CPAANT - January 9, 2010 Mesquite, Texas By Geri Sorg

CPAANT meeting was held in Mesquite on January 9th. The new 2010 Board was sworn in by Mayor John Monaco. We heard from the Mesquite Mayor and Police Chief. After a meeting and Round Table Breakout Session, we had a tour of the new Mesquite Police Department.

CPAANT had 12 Representatives with a total of 39 present.



FROM THE CHIEF

The Chief was not available for an article this month. He hopes everyone had safe and happy holidays and will be back with us next month.

From the President – Pete Jones

First I want to thank all those who provided food for those officers and employees serving on Christmas Eve and Christmas Day. These small gifts were well received by all.

Thanks to all the people who volunteered time last year. All we have in life is time, and it is a precious commodity that cannot be retrieved once spent. In 2009 the ECPAAA donated 5,816 hours, worth \$117,784, to the Euless Police department. That is the equivalent of 2.8 full time employees. Through your giving we are able to relieve sworn and civil employees of some of the more routine tasks. This is well appreciated by Chief Brown.

Starting in 2010, we have 75 members out of a total of 330 ECPA and ECFPA academy graduates. That's 22.7% of those attending that are currently members. In 2010 let's all try and make the number grow by inviting those inactive members to come back and those who were not members to join us,

2010 will be an exciting and challenging year of service. The economy is still slow though recovering. However, our efforts will help to make a difference here in Euless.

Let's make this year a good year for all!

Upcoming Events

Jan 14 – Euless Town Hall Meeting, City Council Chambers, 7 pm



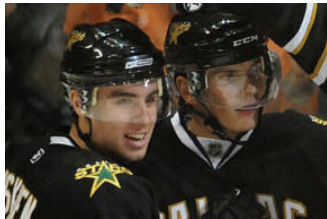
Jan 19 – ECPAAA General Meeting, 7 pm, Police Station

Jan 26 - City Council Meeting, 7 pm, City Hall

Jan 28 – Euless Town Hall Meeting, City Council Chambers, 7 pm



Jan 30 – Dallas Stars to Practice at Dr. Pepper StarCenter, 12 Noon



Feb 6 – CPAANT Meeting, Roanoke (location & directions can be found on www.cpaant.org)

Feb 9 – City Council Meeting, 7 pm, City Hall

Feb 13 – Heritage Park Tours, 1-5 pm, 201 Cullum Drive

December 2009 Volunteer Hours

CID Clerical - 7 Hours 30 Minutes

Citizens On Patrol - 171 Hours 0 Minutes
Number of Handicap Citations Issued - 0
Number of Handicap Warnings Issued - 0
Number of Junk Vehicles Written - 0

Courts - 25 Hours 30 Minutes

CPA/CERT Class - 0 Hours 0 Minutes

Crime Victims Assistance Program - 12 Hours 15 Minutes

Jail - 33 Hours 30 Minutes

Meetings/Training - 87 Hours 0 Minutes

Includes the following:

CPAANT Regional Meeting - 4 Hours 30 Minutes
ECPAAA General Meeting - 68 Hours 30 Minutes

Miscellaneous - 26 Hours 30 Minutes

Includes the following:

Euless Parade of Lights - 19 Hours 0 Minutes

Selective Vehicle Parking - 0 Hours 0 Minutes

Speed Trailer - 35 Hours 0 Minutes

Vehicle Maintenance - 52 Hours 0 Minutes

Watering of Plants - 6 Hours 0 Minutes

Total – 456 Hours 15 Minutes

Value of Volunteer Time – \$9,237.04

Year-to-Date Value of Volunteer Time – \$117,784.13

December Meeting – 41 Alumni Members Present

Happy Birthday ECPAAA Members

Don Martin – 1/2

Ken Denne – 1/18

Gena Natho – 1/28

Wayne Priddy – 1/7

Jeremy Tompkins – 1/22

Nadine Barnes – 1/30

Bob Bouse – 1/10

Valerie Hinde – 1/24

Marcie Snelson – 1/30

Denise Miles – 1/10

Officer Biography Steven Snyder

Date of Biography: January 11, 2010

Current Title with EPD: Crime Scene Investigator
Forensic Video Analysis (AVID system) certified
Automated Fingerprint Identification System (AFIS) certified
Gang Officer
Intelligence Officer



Year started and history with the EPD: Started with the department in July 1999 and requested to be trained in Crime Scene approximately seven years ago.

Where were you born? Illinois

In what city do you currently live? Euless

Tell me a little about your family, spouse, children (ages), grandchildren, pets, etc.
Married to Connie who has her series 6 license in insurance and she is in the process of writing a healthy cookbook on eating and cooking healthy. One son, James Michael, and James is married to Sandy. I have three grandchildren – Paige, Peyton and Reese Madelynn who just arrived in December 2009. James is a firefighter (I don't hold that against him) and Sandy is an ER nurse. They currently live in Illinois.

What are your hobbies? GOLF and scuba diving.

What is your favorite part of being an Officer? The opportunity to work as a Crime Scene Officer.

Who is your favorite celebrity? John Wayne

What is your favorite food? My wife's cooking, you can tell by the extra pounds!!!!



ALUMNI CORNER



Spotlight on Loren Johnson

by Rosemarie Stevens

Loren Johnson, a member of Class 23, was born in Redwood County, Minnesota. I don't know how long he lived there; but, if it was more than a few years, he could probably tell us a story or two about what it's like to be in cold weather. Possibly, he could also tell us about *snow*.

Loren and his wife Annette have been married 52 years, had four children, and they now enjoy spending time with their 12 grandchildren and three great grandchildren. Loren's favorite pastimes are hunting, fishing, wood working and just walking.

Loren says that his favorite book is the Bible. When asked where he would like to travel, he responded "anyplace in the USA." Well, this is a big, beautiful country with many beautiful places to see.

Loren was invited to attend a CPA class by a neighbor. He indicated that he enjoyed the class and appreciated the opportunity to learn about the different functions of the Police Department. He joined the Alumni Association because he wanted to get involved, and we're glad he did.



**If you would like your bio to appear in the newsletter, please contact
Rose Marie Stevens at (817) 540-0127 or email her at
stevens.r@sbcglobal.net.**

**EULESS CITIZENS POLICE
ACADEMY
ALUMNI ASSOCIATION**

GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

December 15, 2009

Meeting called to order 7:04
pm

Members Present: Lou Baum, Leah Bennett, Leah Benoit, Renee Bierschenk, Bob Bouse, Sherri Browning, Bobbie Davis, Clarence Davis, Ken Denne, Loretta Doty, Steve Doty, Karen Duncan, Sharon Finnegan, Kay Goad, J. R Goad, Marian Holden, Loren Johnson, Pete Jones, Sandi Jones, Jerrie Keller, Sue Kosec, Pat McDowell, David Mishkin, Dawn Nisbet, Betty Overstreet, Renee Potter, Betty Priddy, Wayne Priddy, Wanda Siebern, Al Simmenroth, Barney Snitz, Geri Sorg, Rose Marie Stevens, Faye Stinneford, Tim Stinneford, Scott Thomas, Jeremy Tompkins, Susan Vest, Helen Voss and Julie Watkins

INVOCATION & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: J.R Goad

Chief Brown thanked the members for their time.

RAFFLE QUILT: Chief Brown was asked to draw the ticket....and the winner was Bill Ridgway. The raffle brought in \$925.00.

2010 BUDGET: Pete Jones made a motion to accept the 2010 Budget, second by Ken Denne. Motion passed.

2010 BOARD: Ballots were handed out and counted by Board Committee. Congratulations to:

President: Pete Jones
Vice President: J.R. Goad
2nd Vice President: Lou Baum
Treasurer: Leah Benoit
Secretary: Sandi Jones

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES:

JAIL: Rose Marie reminded everyone that we still need to volunteer to work in the Jail.

CELL PHONES: J.R. & Lou have placed recycling boxes around the city. Lou mentioned that we have received \$100 already. Every member is being asked to promote this fundraiser – it doesn't cost anyone anything!

CHRISTMAS FOOD: Julie Watkins announced that Firehouse Subs will be providing the sandwiches for Christmas day. Anyone wanting to bring

desserts was welcome to do so.

MINUTES/TREASURER'S REPORT:

Sandi Jones made a motion to accept the November Minutes, second by Geri Sorg. Motion passed. Helen Voss made a motion to accept the November Treasurer's Report, second by Sandi Jones. Motion passed.

MERCHANDISE: Faye mentioned that we have shirts and caps for sale. Items were shown.

MISCELLANEOUS: Rose Marie read thank you cards from the Parks Dept regarding our help in the Parade of Lights and N.E.E.D. for the donation we made in memory of Chief Brown's mother. Christmas cards were passed around from the City and Denise Miles.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:20 pm.

December 2009 Treasurer's Report

INCOME	Carry Over	December	YTD Income	Annual Budget	Over/Under Budget
General Fund	\$20,546.77				
Adjustments to Checking Account			\$359.30	\$0.00	\$359.30
Afghan Sales		\$40.00	\$40.00	\$0.00	\$40.00
Bass Pro Events			\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
BBQ Dinner/Silent Auction		\$10.00	\$5,449.90	\$4,000.00	\$1,449.90
Brick Sales			\$575.00	\$0.00	\$575.00
CRUD Day		\$700.00	\$1,300.00	\$1,300.00	\$0.00
Donations/Outside Income			\$760.00	\$0.00	\$760.00
Grocery Care Cards			\$99.56	\$100.00	-\$0.44
Meeting Raffle			\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Membership Dues			\$1,420.00	\$1,200.00	\$220.00
Member Merchandise		\$55.50	\$104.50	\$0.00	\$104.50
Quilt Raffle		\$429.00	\$925.00	\$0.00	\$925.00
Recycle Program			\$381.40	\$400.00	-\$18.60
Reimbursement Brick Installation			\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Warrant Roundup			\$1,430.62	\$1,300.00	\$130.62
Total Income		\$1,234.50	\$12,845.28	\$8,300.00	\$4,545.28
Total	\$20,546.77	\$33,392.05	\$33,392.05		
EXPENSES	Carry Over	December	YTD Expenses	Annual Budget	Over/Under Budget
9-1-1 Day			\$225.00	\$250.00	-\$25.00
Adjustments to Checking Account			\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Audit - Treasurer's Records			\$150.00	\$150.00	\$0.00
BBQ Silent Auction			\$1,381.69	\$1,500.00	-\$118.31
Bricks			\$722.00	\$0.00	\$722.00
Checking Account Expenses			\$14.00	\$0.00	\$14.00
Computer Repair			\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
CPANNT Dues - Paid Dec. 2008			\$0.00	\$25.00	-\$25.00
Expenses Not Categorized			\$0.00	\$125.00	-\$125.00
Honorarium Awards and Gifts			\$113.42	\$300.00	-\$186.58
Member Merchandise Items			\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Memorials and Gifts			\$50.00	\$100.00	-\$50.00
Office Supplies			\$404.83	\$100.00	\$304.83
PALS Summer Camp			\$816.40	\$1,000.00	-\$183.60
Police Appreciation Week			\$383.57	\$400.00	-\$16.43
Police Chief Wish Projects			\$4,453.73	\$2,525.00	\$1,928.73
Police Clown Program			\$0.00	\$300.00	-\$300.00
Police Officer Christmas Meals		\$151.51	\$151.51	\$200.00	-\$48.49
Postage/Envelopes for Newsletters			\$6.07	\$300.00	-\$293.93
President Awards			\$0.00	\$50.00	-\$50.00
Savings Account Transfer			\$10,000.00	\$0.00	\$10,000.00
Social Events		\$191.98	\$191.98	\$300.00	-\$108.02
Water by the Gallon			\$817.98	\$600.00	\$217.98
Web Site/Domain Name			\$50.00	\$75.00	-\$25.00
Total Expenses		\$343.49	\$19,932.18	\$8,300.00	\$11,632.18
Funds Available in Checking			\$13,459.87		
SAVINGS ACCOUNT					
Savings Account			\$10,000.00		
Interest from Savings Account		\$0.33	\$3.63		
Funds Available in Savings			\$10,003.63		
Total ECPAAA Funds			\$23,463.50		