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June Meeting Speakers

How would you like to know that ALMOST every time the phone rings, the person on the other end of the line has a problem? They never call to tell you how good things are, how much they appreciate the service you and your fellow employees provide, or ask what they can do to make your job easier. They often don't clean up their language before they register their complaint. Welcome to the world of a dispatcher, or telecommunicator as they are now called.

At 7:00 p.m. on June 20th in Building A, we are going to hear from not one but four of the people who work in Communications at the Euless Police Department. You will have an opportunity to ask questions and they will tell us on how to best support them to keep Euless safe.

Cathy Moody, the supervisor of the de-

We have sold \$11,900 in bricks!!

partment, was born in Houston and has worked in Euless for 13 years. She is married to Kevin, who works for the City of Collevville. She has one son, Rickey who is 20 and a brother, Wayne Britt, who is a Captain in the Euless Fire Department. She takes care of her mom and stepfather who live in Bedford, in addition to her duties at the EPD. She enjoys her family but works on jigsaw puzzles when she has time. Believe it or not, her favorite books are crime stories. (You would think she gets enough excitement in her job!) Her favorite movies are Pretty Woman and Pelican Brief. Her most interesting life experience has been dealing with her mom's illness (Alzheimer's). Cathy says that the values and lessons she has learned from this experience with her mom has shown her that God has a higher purpose for her in life than she had known before. Her favorite part of her job is working with the other dispatchers. She finally has some girls to mother (our observation) and she enjoys watching them succeed and grow in their profession as they do a great job for our officers and citizens. The dispatchers enjoy working with her because she is not above taking her turn on the radio and will roll up her sleeves and help at anytime. Her smile and supervisory style make dispatch a nice place to work, in spite of the inevitable stress related to the job.

The youngest dispatcher in the department is Kami Friend. She was born in Lewisville

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National Night Out August 1, 2000!!! We have 64 paid members for 2000!!

Lou's Perspective



I hope this message finds you all well and fully rested from our hectic days of May. But, let's NOT sit back on our LAURELS JUST YET----Ain't that a great word, or what". CONGRATULATIONS are in order for the 11th Class. Please come and join a very special group of citizens. Hope to see each of you on the 20th.

Most of you know me pretty darn well by now, and have me figured out pretty good, so you know what is coming. With my "watch" soon to expire, my renewed focus will be our "MONOGRAM BRICK FUND RAISER PROJECT". A few unknown facts to date.

- 1) We have sold only (6) bricks in the year 2000. 2) 53% of the bricks sold to date (\$11,500.00) have been sold by FIVE (5) MEMBERS.
- 3) 32% of the bricks were sold by ONE MEMBER, HELEN VOSS.

While I am addressing each of you, I am looking into the mirror, too. When I say ground breaking is moments away, and our huge sign advertising our project will go up days after that great day.

I would like to remind each of us of our commitment to the city. Our brick committee has been formed and is poised and ready to "go into action", but they expect each of us to participate. This group is always game for a challenge, so here goes. I want each member to commit to selling "5" bricks between now and our July 18th meeting. If we did that, our goal will

have been reached, and we then can go for the gold the rest of the year. Do I have your commitment???????

Our committee members have some great ideas, so after we have reached our personal goals, we can really have some fun. REMEMBER, 5 BRICKS BETWEEN NOW AND JULY 18 MEETING. I KNOW I CAN COUNT ON EACH OF YOU, WHETHER YOU COME TO THE MEETINGS OR NOT. MAIL YOUR BRICK REQUEST TO US, OR CALL ME AND I WILL COME GET THEM. CHRIS WILL RUN THE BLANK ORDER FORM IN THE NEWSLETTER AND THERE ARE PLENTY IN SGT. RON WILLIAMSON'S OFFICE. IT'S THE PLACE YOU CAN FIND ANYTHING YOU ARE LOOKING FOR.

BEST OF LUCK, AND GOOD SELLING.

LOU



Sgt. Williamson



On behalf of the members of the police department, I want to thank each of you for the thoughtfulness you showed this past month during Law Enforcement Appreciation Week. The food you provided each day was greatly appreciated and enjoyed. There was no reason for anyone to go hungry that week. This was just one act of kindness the Alumni Association showed to the Police Department, but in reality your appreciation and support of the Police Department is

shown to us each day in all that you do.

On another note, I want to wish Don Martin a speedy recovery with his back problems. I don't know what he did while he was at the National Convention to cause problems, but after going to state with him, I can only imagine. Don, myself and the whole department wish you a speedy recovery.

As all of you should know, National Night Out is coming up on August 1st. It is time for all of you to get with your neighborhoods, blocks, Crime Watch Groups, or any other organization

you might belong to and start planning what you are going to do. As in years past, I would like to know about these gatherings so that representatives from the Police and Fire Departments can come and get to know you and your neighborhood better. Remember it is also a time to get to know your neighbors better and to find out what is new in the neighborhood. I will be announcing a general meeting of the Crime Watch Council sometime in mid July. Hopefully our materials for National Night Out will be here and I can distribute them to those areas that are having block parties that night.

One final thought. The sales tax that funds our Crime Prevention Control District is up for renewal. The election for this is August 12th with early voting from July 26th through August 8th. This election, if passed, will approve this tax for the next 20 years. As most of you know, the money collected from this tax goes directly to the Police Department to fund programs, equipment, and manpower. Please exercise your right and vote in this election.

I will be out of town on vacation for the June meeting but don't let that stop you from having it. I will see you in July.

May 2000 Treasurer's Report

REVENUE	April	May	YTD	UNRESTRICTED	RESTRICTED	TOTAL
50/50 Drawing			\$0.00	¥		\$0.00
Reward Cards - Participating Area Grocers	\$43.04	\$53.45	\$149.53	\$300.00		\$149.53
Donations						
Business	\$5.00		\$154.00	\$550.00		\$154.00
I.D. Cards	\$250.00	\$150.00	\$400.00		\$1,500.00	\$400.00
Dues (2000 dues collected in '99=\$680)	\$60.00	\$20.00	\$1,220.00	\$1,500.00		\$1,220.00
Event Security						
Arbor Daze		\$4,229.34	\$4,229.34	\$2,000.00		\$4,229.34
Bass Pro			\$670.00	\$1,200.00		\$670.00
TX Motor Spwy			\$0.00	\$500.00		\$0.00
Interest (Money Market Account.)	\$43.11	\$51.62	\$249.23	\$500.00		\$249.23
Miscellaneous Income		\$40.00	\$40.00	\$1,100.00		
Directories (binder sales)			\$0.00			\$0.00
T-Shirts, Caps, Visors(\$600) & Pins(\$500)		\$89.00	\$157.00	\$1,100.00		\$157.00
Christmas Providers			\$0.00		\$550.00	\$0.00
Patrol (Bicycles)			\$2,500.00		\$2,500.00	
MAJOR PROJECTS						
Brick Revenue ('99=\$11,125)		\$75.00	\$575.00			\$11,700.00
TOTAL REVENUE	\$401.15	\$4,708.41	\$9,664.10			33,550.00
EXPENSES				UNRESTRICTED		
Arbor Daze	\$319.92	\$70.79	\$390.71	\$30.00		\$390.71
Awards & Gifts			\$0.00			\$0.00
Birthday Rememberances		\$2.88	\$49.08	\$80.00		\$49.08
BOARD						
Office supplies			\$234.87	\$400.00		\$234.87
Postage	\$33.00	\$6.16	\$39.16			\$39.16
CPAANT Dues			\$25.00			\$25.00
Film			\$0.00			\$0.00
Flowers			\$0.00			\$0.00
Miscellaneous	\$161.25		\$231.25	\$300.00		\$231.25
Patrol	\$106.53	\$82.78	\$189.31			\$189.31
PUBLICATIONS						
Office supplies			\$0.00			\$0.00
Postage		\$66.00	\$132.00			\$132.00
Social Events		\$33.65	\$33.65			\$33.65
Postal Box			\$64.00			\$64.00
Prayer Plaques		\$3.94	\$3.94			\$3.94
Symposium & Meetings			\$150.00			\$150.00
Telephone Directories			\$0.00			\$0.00
T-Shirts/Hats/Visors/Pins		\$511.50	\$511.50			\$511.50
Xmas Providers			\$0.00		\$550.00	\$0.00
MAJOR PROJECTS					T	
Brick Expense			\$33.00		\$15,000.00	
Sculpture			\$0.00		\$23,500.00	\$0.00
APROVED APPROPRIATIONS			4 =		<u> </u>	*
Fingerprint (CID) Kits			\$0.00		\$100.00	
I. D. Cards			\$0.00		\$1,500.00	
Lectern			\$0.00		\$300.00	
Patrol (Bicycles)			\$2,500.00			\$2,500.00
Summer Camp			\$0.00		\$300.00	
Water By The Gallon	#000 To	Φ 777 - 2	\$21.63		\$200.00	
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$620.70	\$777.70	\$4,609.10			\$47,810.00
NET INCOME (LOSS)	(\$219.55)	\$3,930.71	\$5,055.00	\$5,140.00		
BANK BALANCE (checking account)	¢2.454.70	¢2 000 40				
Beginning of Period	\$3,154.78					
End of Period	\$2,892.12	\$6,696.21				
TRANSFER (Money Market to Checking) MONEY MARKET ACCOUNT	¢10 112 04	¢10 040 E0				
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There are no minutes for the month of May. During the May meeting, awards were presented to the people who volunteered during Arbor Daze. We also had a Pot Luck Dinner. No ECPAAA business was conducted.



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and has worked at the EPD for 3 years. She began as a Cadet doing various jobs around the PD, but when she graduated from Trinity in the Spring of 1998, they saw a good worker and hired her. She lives with her family in Bedford and has two dogs, Sam and Mickey, and a cat named Bunky. She collects Coca Cola memorabilia and enjoys country and western dancing. Her favorite movies are Bone Collector and American Pie. Her interesting life experience is the fact that she "swam with stingrays in the middle of the ocean." Her favorite part of her job is doing the tone test with the Fire Department every morning. (Just kidding!) Kami's friendliness and calm, kind voice on the phones and radio are part of the reason she was named Civilian Employee of the year for 1999.

One of the more experienced dispatchers coming to talk to us is Teresa Hosea. She was part of a family of 10 - 4 boys and 6 girls, her place being baby girl and next to last. She and Dennis, a sergeant in the Bedford Police Department, have 3 children. They are all boys and 3 grandchildren, again all boys. In October she will celebrate her 23rd year in law enforcement as a dispatcher. She says that her most interesting experience in life has been, aside from every day is a new experience in her profession, learning to be a step-mother, not mother. Teresa says, "Believe me, the two are very different. You still love the same, just show it in a different manner at times." Her favorite books are The Left Behind Series by Tim LaHave and Jerry Jenkins. Her favorite past times are riding motorcycles with Dennis, being at the family farm, cooking and any time spent with her family. Teresa says, "I think my favorite part of my job is knowing at any given moment I could make a difference in someone's life. Whether it is one of my peers or the public, only God knows what the next phone call will bring. I take pride that my profession has taught me patience, ingenuity, endurance and self discipline. I pray I have passed some of this on to our children. I am blessed with a marriage only God himself could have founded and am so thankful that my husband and I are happier together everyday." And that comes from a lady with two people in law enforcement in the same family! Teresa's sense of humor makes her great fun to be around and her experience is a valuable asset to the department and her peers.

The only male member of the department is Chris Collazo. He tells us he was born in a hospital (that is Chris, the clown, for you) in Fairfield, CA on March 28, 1974. He has been a dispatcher in Euless for two years and claims to be the Chief of Dispatch. He has also been married to his very brave wife, Leigh, for two years. He says he likes running (his mouth?), hiking

(his boots up on the desk?) and reading. His favorite books are Tom Clancy and science fiction/fantasy. The movies he likes are anything medieval. To prepare him for the position he holds now, he spent four years in the Prince George County Fire Department just outside of Washington, D.C. (They wouldn't let him drive the truck so he became a dispatcher.) Somehow, he is attending UNT and majoring in Computer Science, with a minor in Technical Writing and Mathematics. He would like to get a Master's in Aviation Science and use it to program simulators, navigation equipment, mission packages for the military, or computer games. Can we all pray that he will stick to computer games? A guy as smart as Chris could be dangerous with lots of information and gadgets.) In his words, "I would prefer to win the lottery and not work period." He makes dispatching look and sound so easy, maybe he is not working after all. He wouldn't want us to take it wrong (like he was hinting or anything) but he likes ribs and chocolate chip cookies. HINT! HINT! Chris is very friendly

and competent and relates well to everyone in the department.

Don't miss Chris at the meeting on June 20th at 7:00 pm in Building A! He will make you laugh!



Newsletter Submis-

If anyone would like to include an article in the newsletter, there are a few easy ways to accomplish this.

- 1) you can e-mail it to news@ecpaaa.org
- 2) type it in MS Word, save it on a disk and/ or print it and leave it in the ECPAAA box in Ron's office
- 3) hand write it and leave it in the box in Ron's office.

The deadline for the articles is generally 13 days before the meeting.



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Happy Fathers'

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Reminders...

- ⇒ ECPAAA Meeting Tuesday, June 20, 2000. <u>Building A Conference Room</u> at 7:00 PM!!
- ⇒ National Night Out Tuesday, August 1, 2000!!
- ⇒ Corpus Christi August 2-5!!
- ⇒ ECPAAA's new web page address http://www.ecpaaa.org

The ECPAAA has a new web page address, one that is easier to remember,

http://www.ecpaaa.org.

This is your web page, so if you have any ideas of what is included on the page, please email: webmaster@ecpaaa.org and let me know.

