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Euless Citizens Police Academy Alumni Association Monthly Newsletter

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2011 Officers

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EPD Liaison: Captain Gary Landers

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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
eulesscpa@sbcglobal.net

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)

June Speakers

Captain Gary Landers and the Code Compliance Officers

Gary will give a "brief" CODE update on what his team has been doing. The Euless CODE Compliance Officers will be in attendance as well; so come out and meet the team! After Gary's update, there will be a question and answer session with the team.



CPAANT June 4, 2011 Burleson, Texas By Geri Sorg

Our speaker in Burleson was Chris Havens, Commander of Patrol Operations Division who had attended the FBI National Academy. He passed on great information on what he learned in various areas. We had 13 CPAAA's present with over 33 in attendance. The next CPAANT meeting will be July 9th in Lewisville. For more information, please visit CPAANT's web site www.cpaant.org.



Dinner Menu for June Meeting



Hot Dogs
Chips
Apple Pie



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

FROM THE CHIEF

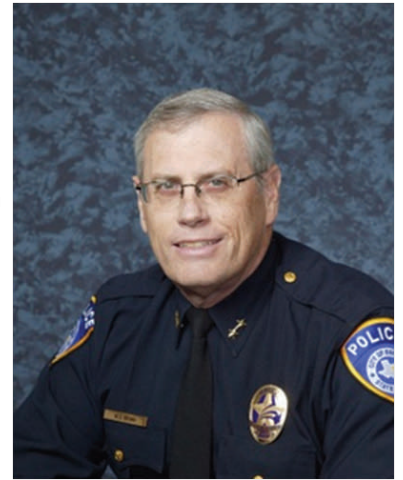
Its Summer Camp time again! Kim and the rest of the NPOs are busy getting everything ready for another great Summer Camp. We've been putting this camp on for years and have impacted thousands of kids, and the really great thing about this camp is that you have been with us every step of the way. The volunteer hours and money that you have provided have made a difference in the lives of the kids that come through this camp. Your investment in time and money has impacted this community in so many untold ways. When I look at this community, and compare it to other communities throughout the state and nation, I am reminded of how very special this community is. I refuse to look at the things we don't have, because I am blessed and amazed at the things that we do have. What sets us apart from most every other community in this nation is the willingness of our citizens to volunteer, to roll up their sleeves and be willing to work for the betterment of the community. We are fortunate that our volunteers come together to serve others, not themselves. I am in awe of each of you, and how you look only to serve others. I cannot thank you enough for all the minutes and hours you give us, but you give us so much more than the time; you give us a roadmap to follow for success. The example you set by coming to every task with a servant's heart, working until it's done and then asking the simple question, "What more can we do?" is such a powerful message of servant hood and selfless that I wish we could bottle it and sell it. We would never have to hold another fundraiser.

We are in the process of hiring three new police officers. We hope to have them all on board and ready to attend the Police Academy that is starting in July. We will have a few new faces around the department in the very near future. We are excited to be able to hire this new crop of servants.

With our current round of promotions made we will be entering a new chapter in the life of the Euless Police Department. Sergeant Troy Remington and Sergeant Eric Starnes have been promoted to Lieutenant. Lt. Remington will be assigned to Patrol and Lt. Starnes will be assigned to the CID. Senior Corporal Brandon Zachary has been promoted to Sergeant and will be assigned to Patrol. Please stop in and congratulate our newly promoted, and wish them well as they enter into a new stage in their service to this community. We are expecting great things from each of these great leaders.

Thanks again for all you do!!!

Your Servant,
Mike



Happy 4th of July!



EPD Liaison — Captain Gary Landers

Summer Time is here and it is going to be a hot one! The first week of Summer Camp is over and the children absolutely enjoyed their time with the employees and volunteers. The second camp starts on June 13, 2011 if you are so incline to want to volunteer your time. If you want to come to the camp and see what is going you can contact me or show up at the camp. The camp is held June 13-17 from 9:00 am till 1:00 pm at the Parks at Texas Star.

The annual BBQ is quickly approaching and this year is going to be the biggest year yet. We have more room and the committee is in full swing planning the activities. Please make plans to attend this event (I hear the food is great).

This month at the meeting I will be having the CODE Compliance officers attending so that you can personally meet them and we will have a question answer style program after a brief CODE update from me. I hope to see each of you there it will be a good time for fellowship and some wonderful food.

Thanks for everything each of you do every day to make this organization such a success!!!!

Sincerely,
Gary



From the President — Pete Jones

June is here, half way thru the year, and the heat has already hit. What have we

accomplished in this first half of the year? Sad to say but volunteerism is down by 9% from last year in May. If this keeps up we will be down around 18% for the year. So we all need to find something we like to do for the department and do it! I know Sandi and I have been busy with other things but have made a commitment to step up our time for Euless. I hope you do the same.

Our BBQ plans are well under way and tickets will soon go on sale. Let's all make an extra effort to sell twice as many tickets as last year. Remember, a prize goes to the person selling the most tickets. Will it be you? Sandi and Loretta already have a bet as to which one of them will sell more.

We will need lots of help getting prizes, silent auction items, setting up and tearing down, cleaning up, arranging auction items and many other things. Pick one that you might enjoy...let's EVERYONE GET INVOLVED!

To those of you who missed going to the Cotton Patch for dinner on the 7th, you sure missed a great time. The food was delicious and the fellowship likewise.

Last month's speaker made us think about recycling and what we can do at home, I know I learned something. I didn't realize that they were creating places for us to take our grandkids and for wildlife to stop on their migration.

This month we will hear from the Code Enforcement team on what they are looking for and how they do their job.

See you at the June 21st meeting.

Pete

Who have you asked back to the ECPAAA?



**Texas Citizens Police
Academy Alumni Convention**

Moody Gardens in Galveston

August 21-24, 2011

<http://tcpaaconvention.org>



Upcoming Events

June 21 — ECPAAA Board Meeting, 6:15 pm; General Meeting, 7 pm, Euless Police Station

June 23 — Euless Town Hall Meeting, 7 pm, City Hall

June 25 — Summer Movie Series — Yogi Bear, 8:30 pm, Bear Creek Amphitheater, 1951 Bear Creek Parkway — Admission is one food donation per person to benefit the Tarrant Area Food Bank.

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

July 9 — CPAANT Meeting, 10 am General Meeting, Lewisville (location and directions can be found on www.cpaant.org)

July 12 — City Council Meeting, 7 pm, City Hall

July 16 — Summer Movie Series — The Sandlot, 8:30 pm, The Parks at Texas Star, 1501 S. Pipeline Rd.

July 17 — Registration deadline for Texas CPAA Convention. After the 17th, a \$10 Late Fee will Apply. Go to <http://tcpaaconvention.org> for more information on the Convention.

July 19 — ECPAAA Board Meeting, 6:15 pm; General Meeting, 7 pm, Euless Police Station

May 2011 Volunteer Hours

CFPA/CERT Class - 0 Hours 0 Minutes

CID Clerical - 22 Hours 45 Minutes

Citizens On Patrol - 125 Hours 30 Minutes

Number of Handicap Citations Issued - 8

Number of Handicap Warnings Issued - 0

Courts - 23 Hours 30 Minutes

Crime Victims Assistance Program - 2 Hours 30 Minutes

Jail - 31 Hours 0 Minutes

Meetings/Training - 57 Hours 0 Minutes

Includes the following:

ECPAAA Meeting - 57 Hours 0 Minutes

Miscellaneous - 172 Hours 30 Minutes

Speed Trailer - 25 Hours 45 Minutes

Vehicle Maintenance - 36 Hours 30 Minutes

Watering of Plants - 7 Hours 30 Minutes

Total - 504 Hours 30 Minutes

May Value of Volunteer Time — \$10,776.12

2011 Value of Volunteer Time — \$51,438.08

**May Meeting — 34 Alumni Members
and 2 Guests Present**

May Volunteer Hours Comparison By Lou Baum

Last year for the month of May we volunteered a total of 614 hours; this year 504 hours, which is a 18% loss over last year in volunteer hours.

For year to date through May, total hours last year were 2,646; this year to date 2,408 hours which is a 9% loss year to date in volunteer hours. Without Ken and Scott's 112 hours in Austin, the month would look worse.

Happy Birthday ECPAAA Members

Linda Martin — 6/2

Dick Rick — 6/4

Dawn Nisbet — 6/12

Helen Voss — 6/14

Jerry Goad — 6/16

Clarence Davis — 6/16

Jozef Balint — 6/20

ALUMNI CORNER



Spotlight on Sandi Jones

by Rosemarie Stevens

Sandi started her life in Jefferson City, Missouri, and came to Texas by way of Huntington, California. If you have ever wondered why she and Pete love visiting California as often as possible, well there are three excellent reasons – three of their four children live there, Tim, Sean and Craig. Shannon lives in Irving, Texas.



When Sandi and Pete married in 1989, they each had two children from previous marriages. Sandi had actually given birth to three children, but sadly, one passed away.

Sandi was an only child who grew up in St. Louis. She went to college in Missouri and then moved to California with her first husband. Sandi taught college English at Goldenwest College in Huntington Beach, California, for a few years. Sandi divorced after a 21-year marriage and met Pete a year later.

After being transferred to Texas, Pete and Sandi moved to Grapevine and lived there for 15 years. While there, they became active members of the Grapevine Citizens Police Academy. Because they wanted to remain involved with local police, they attended the 24th CPA class after moving to Euless.

What Sandi remembers most about the class is how funny David Parker could be. During the class, she got to know David, Shelly and Joe quite well; and, through them, she learned more about the Euless Police Department and how well it functioned. Becoming a member of the Euless Citizens Police Academy Alumni Association enabled her to become more involved with the city. She enjoys being part of a group that helps the police department acquire things they need but cannot afford. Her membership also enables her to make friends with people she may not have had an opportunity to meet in any other circumstance.

When Sandi and Pete settled in Texas, they established their own business teaching adult education computer classes. In 2000 they were recognized as “The Best Adult Education Teachers” in the state of Texas. Their classes got so popular that they had to teach every night and every other Saturday; consequently, they decided to stop teaching and stay with their day jobs. Sandi, now works in Carrollton and seems happy to not have to go to another job at the end of the day.

Sandi’s hobbies include Dachshund Rescue, traveling, reading and collecting crosses and porcelain dolls. She and Pete take cruises to a new place every year, and Sandi purchases a cross at every travel location. The crosses are hung on the entry wall of her home. One place she hopes to visit is Australia sometime in the future.

Sandi also loves reading, and reads at least one book each week. She likes current best sellers, and her favorite authors are Belva Plain, Danielle Steel, Janet Evanovich, Sue Grafton and Sidney Sheldon. She prefers murder mysteries, but Pete likes to remind her that the bad guy always gets caught. Since Sandi is one of the good guys, we can enjoy her company for an indefinite period of time.

Thanks for sharing yourself with us, Sandi.



★ Officer Biography

★ Russell Carter



Date of Biography: June 10, 2011



Current title with EPD: Public Service Officer



Year started and history with the EPD:



October 2000



Where were you born? Forth Worth, Texas



In what city do you currently live? Weatherford



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



My wife Candace is a nursing student at Weatherford College. My son Riley is 5 years old and he loves to fish, go hunting with me and play baseball. Our family has two dogs — Sadie and Polk-a-dot (my son named her).



What are your hobbies? Cooking BBQ, fishing, hunting, playing sports and hanging out with family and friends.



What is your favorite part of being a public service officer? Not knowing what you are going to see day to day.



Any interesting or little-known facts about yourself... I like to compete in BBQ cook offs for charities.



Who is your favorite celebrity? Michael Waddell



What is your favorite food? Steak



EULESS CITIZENS POLICE ACADEMY ALUMNI ASSOCIATION GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

May 17, 2011

Meeting Called to Order at 7:00 PM

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Jerri Balkon, Leah Benoit, Rene Bierschenk, Perry Brockmeyer, Sherri Browning, Dan Clark, John Deithloff, Ken Denne, Loretta Doty, Steve Doty, Sharon Finnegan, JR Goad, Marian Goethe, Loren Johnson, Marian Holden, Loren Johnson, Pete Jones, Sandi Jones, Jerrie Keller, Sue Kosec, Don Martin, Dawn Nisbet, Betty Overstreet, Betty Priddy, Wayne Priddy, Judy Rick, Dick Rick, Al Simmenroth, Barney Snitz, Rosemarie Stevens, Faye Stinneford, Scott Thomas, and Susan Vest, Also attending was the guest speaker Lisa Fondren and guests Vickie Denne and Nancy Collier.

INVOCATION, PLEDGE OF ALLE- GIANCE & TEXAS ALLEGIANCE:

J.R. Goad

Pete Jones introduced Marla Prince, from Waste Management to talk to us about waste and the Wildlife Habitats they are producing in Texas. After an interesting and informative talk, we were given a test to see how much we know about recycling. Then the talk was ended.

Pete Jones gave us five minutes before the meeting would continue. Meeting was called back to order at 7:55 PM

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Gary Landers spoke about the trip to Austin that 6 of our Honor Guards plus Ken Denne and Scott Thomas made for the Texas Police Officers Memorial last month. The ECPAAA

paid for the trip. Gary showed slides of the trip.

Pete Jones introduced our speaker for this month, Lisa Fondren, a forensic expert on DWI breath tests. Lisa spoke on alcohol testing and quizzed us on various interesting questions. Talk by Lisa Fondren ended and Pete Jones gave us 5 minutes before the meeting re-started.

Pete Jones asked for minutes to be approved. Faye Stinneford made a motion to accept the minutes of the last meeting. Sherri Browning seconded the motion. Motion was passed.

Pete Jones asked for the Treasury Report from last meeting to be approved. Sherri Browning made a motion to accept the treasury report. Faye Stinneford seconded the motion. Motion passed.

J. R. Goad spoke about Vicki Baum and how she is still ill and needs prayers and thoughts. She is home now.

Sherri Browning thanked the ECPAAA for the sympathy card when her brother died.

Ken Denne spoke and gave a thank-you to the ECPAAA for himself and Scott Thomas for sending them to Austin with the Honor Guard. He said it was a great trip and they enjoyed it.

Julie Watkins spoke about handing out Goodie Bags to the Policemen's mailboxes for Police Appreciation Week.

Volunteers needed for the 2 Summer Camps and if you can volunteer please call Kim Althouse.

NEW BUSINESS

CPAANT meeting will next be held in Burleson and Geri Sorg will be present for Euless. Anyone else wanting to go is invited.

Pete Jones brought up that our hours for the year are now at 662 and worth \$40,657.69.

Pete Jones thanked the Ricks for the chicken dinner and Sharon Finnegan for the delicious cookies.

Leah Benoit spoke about the barbeque fundraiser meeting held last week and how nice it will be in our new facility. We have use of all their utensils, rooms and all the facility. Our auction items will have their own room and we will need lots of help. Next month we will start selling tickets and arrange committees to help with cooking, clean-up and other things needed. We are expecting everyone to help in some capacity and we need lots of auction items.

Sandi Jones brought up that we will be having a contest as to who will sell the most tickets. There will be a prize for the winner.

Faye Stinneford spoke about our next social at Cotton Patch on June 7th. You must have a flyer and we should invite everyone we know. Flyers were handed out.

Pete Jones announced the birthdays and we sang "Happy Birthday" to Renee Bierschenk because her birthday was today, and said a big "Happy Birthday" to Barney Snitz and Mary Lib Saleh for their birthdays being in May.

The meeting was ended when Jerrie Keller made a motion to close the meeting and J R Goad seconded the motion. It was 8:25 PM



May 2011 Treasurer's Report

INCOME	Carry Over	May	YTD Income	Annual Budget	Over/Under Budget
12/31/10 Balance in Checking	\$12,577.36				
Afghan Fundraiser			\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
BBQ Dinner/Silent Auction			\$0.00	\$6,500.00	-\$6,500.00
Brick Sales			\$175.00	\$350.00	-\$175.00
CRUD Day			\$700.00	\$1,400.00	-\$700.00
Donations/Outside Income		\$490.04	\$1,110.05	\$0.00	\$1,110.05
Grocery Care Cards			\$33.04	\$100.00	-\$66.96
Membership Dues		\$60.00	\$1,360.00	\$1,500.00	-\$140.00
Member Merchandise		\$1.00	\$1.00	\$0.00	\$1.00
Recycle Program (Cans & Cartridges)			\$0.00	\$200.00	-\$200.00
Recycle Program (Electronics)			\$0.00	\$400.00	-\$400.00
Note: Funds from the Electronics Recycling Program are allocated to the PALS Summer Camp.					
Restaurant Fund Raisers		\$52.70	\$152.70	\$600.00	-\$447.30
Warrant Roundup			\$762.50	\$1,000.00	-\$237.50
Total Income		\$603.74	\$4,294.29	\$12,050.00	-\$7,755.71
Total	\$12,577.36	\$16,871.65	\$16,871.65		
EXPENSES	Carry Over	May	YTD Expenses	Annual Budget	Over/Under Budget
9-1-1 Day			\$0.00	\$250.00	-\$250.00
Audit - Treasurer's Records			\$0.00	\$150.00	-\$150.00
BBQ Silent Auction			\$0.00	\$1,500.00	-\$1,500.00
Bricks			\$120.00	\$120.00	\$0.00
Checking Account Expenses			\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
CPANNT Dues			\$25.00	\$25.00	\$0.00
Expenses Not Categorized			\$5.00	\$125.00	-\$120.00
Honorarium Awards and Gifts			\$0.00	\$200.00	-\$200.00
Member Merchandise Items			\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Memorials and Gifts			\$0.00	\$100.00	-\$100.00
Office Supplies			\$0.00	\$150.00	-\$150.00
PALS Summer Camp			\$0.00	\$1,000.00	-\$1,000.00
Police Appreciation Week		\$399.01	\$399.01	\$400.00	-\$0.99
Police Chief Wish Projects			\$0.00	\$3,265.00	-\$3,265.00
Police Honor Guard		-\$391.00	\$2,609.00	\$3,000.00	-\$391.00
Police Officer Christmas Meals			\$0.00	\$200.00	-\$200.00
Postage/Envelopes for Newsletters			\$0.00	\$200.00	-\$200.00
President Awards			\$130.04	\$150.00	-\$19.96
Social Events			\$0.00	\$300.00	-\$300.00
Water by the Gallon			\$210.00	\$840.00	-\$630.00
Web Site/Domain Name			\$0.00	\$75.00	-\$75.00
Total Expenses		\$8.01	\$3,498.05	\$12,050.00	-\$8,551.95
Funds Available in Checking			\$13,373.60		
SAVINGS ACCOUNT					
Major Projects/Future Projects	\$10,057.53		\$10,057.53		
Interest from Savings Account		\$0.35	\$1.62		
Funds Available in Savings			\$10,059.15		

Total ECPAAA Funds

\$23,432.75

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