



# Partners in Policing

## Euleless Citizens Police Academy Alumni Association Monthly Newsletter

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### 2011 Officers

**President:** Pete Jones

**1st Vice President:** Loretta Doty

**2nd Vice President:** Jerry Goad

**Secretary:** Sandi Jones

**Treasurer:** Steve Doty

**EPD Liaison:** Captain Gary Landers

### Committees

**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  
[eulescpa@sbcglobal.net](mailto:eulescpa@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)

## May Speaker

### Lisa Fondren

President, Fondren Forensics Inc.

Technical Supervisor for the Breath Alcohol Testing Program

[www.fondrenforensics.com](http://www.fondrenforensics.com)

Lisa Fondren is a forensic chemist who provides technical oversight for the breath alcohol program in parts of Dallas, Collin, Denton and Ellis Counties. She maintains and calibrates the breath alcohol equipment, trains the officers and detention personnel on the equipment and provides expert testimony in DWI trials. The following two paragraphs describes what Lisa will be presenting at our meeting on May 17th.

Alcohol is a drug (depressant) that affects a person's ability to safely operate a motor vehicle. Police Officers spend a large amount of time on DWI related arrests. Many people are multiple offenders and are arrested and convicted of DWI more than once. We will take a closer look at what is involved once an individual is arrested for DWI and is offered a breath alcohol test. Instrument maintenance and operator knowledge are important components of a successful DWI process. Defense attorneys routinely attack the accuracy of the instrument, the credibility of the officer and the integrity of the technical supervisor.

Determining a person's alcohol concentration at the time of driving is a routine part of a Technical Supervisor's testimony. This calculation is based on the results of the breath test and other information obtained at the side of the road or the interview. The science behind the instrument and the physiology of alcohol in the body are important aspects that are discussed in the courtroom.

## Dinner Menu for May Meeting

Chicken-Rice Casserole

Italian Beans

Carrot Salad

Cookies

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

## **FROM THE CHIEF**

Thank you for sending our Honor Guard to Austin for the Police Memorial Service. Thanks to your efforts the entire team was able to attend all of the Memorial events that were planned. One of our members was unable to attend due to a family commitment, but all who went were deeply touched by the experience. Without your willingness to get involved in this effort the team would not have been able to attend. A special thanks to Ken Denne and Scott Thomas who have adopted the Honor Guard and shown them the true meaning of service.



There are some changes coming around here in the next few weeks; we just completed our testing for Lieutenant and I would look for two of our current Sergeants to be promoted. This will necessitate a Sergeant being promoted at roughly the same time. There are eligibility lists already established for these positions, so we will name those to be promoted in the next few weeks. Once we announce the promotions, there will be a shuffling of people into and out of positions that they currently hold. All of those announcements will be made rather quickly, and everyone should be in their new assignments by, shift change, next month. So, come by and congratulate those who are accepting new responsibilities and who are moving into new assignments.

The Michael Ray Williamson Memorial Golf Tournament is scheduled for May 18<sup>th</sup>. I know several of you volunteer to help us on that day, and I hope most of you are participating by helping us sell raffle tickets for the TV. This is our biggest, only, fundraiser for the Euless Police Benevolent Organization. The money raised will go toward our scholarship program for the children of the members of the Euless Police Department, and to help with other worthy causes throughout the year. If you have never come out to the golf tournament you have missed a great time. The day is full of fun, food and friendship, you can't ask for a better combination. Please come out and help us make this a huge success.

I know there are several members of the EPD family in need of prayers and support right now. I ask you remember to lift those members of our family that need us the most right now up with your prayers, good thoughts, words of encouragement or a simple reminder that you are thinking about them. We are here to serve each other, so please remember those who would like to be with us but are unable to be among us. Every member of the EPD family that I have had the opportunity to visit are warriors in their particular struggle. They face each day with a smile on their face and are more concerned with you than they are about themselves. It is truly humbling to be around these people. Please remember them and have a good thought for them from time to time.

Thanks for all you do!

Your Servant,  
Mike

## EPD Liaison — Captain Gary Landers



Well, much has transpired since we last had a meeting. The Honor Guard along with ECPAAA Members Ken Denne and Scott Thomas traveled to Austin for the Texas Police Officers Memorial. The Euless Police Department was well represented because of the dedicated men and women of the ECPAAA . We would not have been able to make this trip if it was not for your gracious support of our organization. I would like to take a few minutes at this month's meeting to share pictures and events that took place at the memorial. We are already starting to plan for the Memorial in Washington D.C. next year.

The Annual Golf Tournament is right around the corner and we will be in need of some volunteers to help us with this event. Please check with Leah Benoit on needs for the Golf Tournament. Also, summer is approaching at lightning speeds and we already have the Euless Police Department Summer Camp planned. As always, you have agreed to help support this camp. We will have more volunteer opportunities for this event as well. The camps are almost full so if you know of a child that would benefit from this program please get with me or one of the N.P.O.'s to get a registration form.

If there is anything that I can do for you, please do not hesitate in calling. Thanks again for everything you do for the betterment of the City and the Police Department every day.

I look forward to seeing you at the meeting!!!!

Sincerely,  
Gary

## From the President — Pete Jones



May is a month of celebration. We are well into Spring and are celebrating Mother's day and of course Police Appreciation Week. It's that time that we remember all the extra hours away from home our officers spend watching out for the citizens of Euless. Be sure to share a smile with them as you come and go from the department.

Last month Gary Landers shared that the Euless Honor Guard was going to Austin to the Texas Police Officers Memorial along with 49 other agencies. And with them our own Scott Thomas and Ken Denne went to represent the city of Euless. This meeting we will hear from Gary, Scott and Ken as they tell us about the event. Thanks to them all.

Our volunteerism is moving forward. In April we contributed 662.0 hours for \$13,802.70. That gives us a total for the year of \$39,686.93. We are at 94% of where we were last year but moving quickly ahead. Thank you all.

Keep in mind that even though summer is coming fast there are still a lot of events to support.

Pete

Who have you asked back to the ECPAAA?

### Upcoming Events

May 17 — ECPAAA Board Meeting, 6:15 pm; General Meeting, 7 pm, Eules Police Station

May 18 — Michael Ray Williamson Memorial Golf Tournament , 8 am, Texas Star Golf Course

May 24 — City Council Meeting, 7 pm, City Hall

June 4 — CPAANT Meeting, 10 am General Meeting, Burleson (location and directions can be found on [www.cpaant.org](http://www.cpaant.org))

June 6-10 — Eules Police Summer Camp, Session I

June 7 — ECPAAA Social/Fund Raiser, Cotton Patch Café, located at the Southwest Corner of Hall Johnson Road and Highway 121, Dinner Only — 4-9:30 pm

June 13-17 — Eules Police Summer Camp, Session II

June 14 — City Council Meeting, 7 pm, City Hall

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

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

### April 2011 Volunteer Hours

CFPA/CERT Class - 0 Hours 0 Minutes

CID Clerical - 15 Hours 30 Minutes

Citizens On Patrol - 129 Hours 30 Minutes

Number of Handicap Citations Issued - 9

Number of Handicap Warnings Issued - 1

Courts - 11 Hours 45 Minutes

Crime Victims Assistance Program - 1 Hour 0 Minutes

CRUD - 48 Hours 30 Minutes

Eules Trash-off - 18 Hours 0 Minutes

Jail - 21 Hours 45 Minutes

Meetings/Training - 273 Hours 30 Minutes

Includes the following:

CERT Disaster City - 150 Hours 0 Minutes

CERT DFW AOC/EOC - 65 Hours 0 Minutes

ECPAAA Meeting - 58 Hours 30 Minutes

Miscellaneous - 72 Hours 30 Minutes

Speed Trailer - 2 Hours 30 Minutes

Vehicle Maintenance - 61 Hours 0 Minutes

Watering of Plants - 6 Hours 30 Minutes

**Total - 662 Hours 0 Minutes**

**April Value of Volunteer Time — \$14,140.32**

**2011 Value of Volunteer Time — \$40,657.69**

**April Meeting — 33 Alumni Members Present**

#### CPAANT

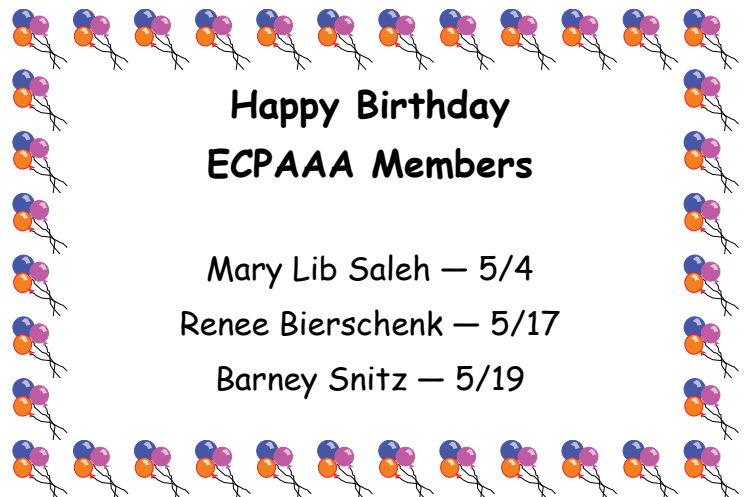
May 7, 2011

Garland, Texas

By Geri Sorg

I will be in Detroit with family and will not be at the CPAANT Meeting in Garland on May 7th; hope to be back in Eules on May 9th. The June CPAANT Meeting is in Burleson and plan on attending. Any questions...please give me a call. Thank you for your support.

For more information, please visit CPAANT's web site [www.cpaant.org](http://www.cpaant.org).



**Happy Birthday  
ECPAAA Members**

Mary Lib Saleh — 5/4

Renee Bierschenk — 5/17

Barney Snitz — 5/19

## ALUMNI CORNER



### Spotlight on ?????

by Rosemarie Stevens

Our lives are extremely busy; and, although we may want to socialize with each other more, it is often very difficult to do so. We work together, but we are not always able to play together. Consequently, a few years ago, the membership decided that one way we could get to know each other better is by sharing information with each other through biographical articles printed in our newsletter.

First, let me thank those of you who allowed your biographical information to be shared. It has enabled us to get to know you better. That was and is the primary purpose of these biographies. Since it has become increasingly difficult to get information from you, I am beginning to wonder if the time for sharing ourselves through biographical articles has passed. Only you can let us know if you want the biographies to continue.

I ask that those of you who think the biographical articles should continue answer the questions below and send your responses to Rosemarie Stevens at [stevens.r@sbcglobal.net](mailto:stevens.r@sbcglobal.net). If you do not wish the biographical articles to continue, send nothing. It is not our desire to push anyone to do anything they prefer not to do.

Thanks for your consideration.

Name

What are your telephone number and email address?

Where were you born? If you weren't born in Texas, what brought you here?

Are you married? Do you have children?

Which CPA or CFPA Class did you attend? Why did you attend the class?

What did you enjoy most about the class, or what do you remember most from the class?

What inspired you to become a member of the Alumni Association?

What would you like the ECPAAA membership to know about you?

What is your favorite hobby?

If you like traveling, what location would you most like to visit and why?

If you enjoy reading, what is your favorite book; and why is it your favorite. What makes it special to you?

Please include any additional information you choose.

Thanks again for your assistance!



# ★ Officer Biography

★ **Richard (Rick) G. Eldredge**



★ **Date of Biography:** May 9, 2011

★ **Current title with EPD:** Code Compliance Officer

★ **Year started and history with the EPD:** Transferred in January 2011 from the Planning and Development along with all other code enforcement officers.

★ **Where were you born?** Borger, Texas

★ **In what city do you currently live?** White Settlement

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

My wife, Christi, is a third-grade teacher in White Settlement ISD and was selected as Teacher of the Year for her school, the Fine Arts Academy. My daughter, Mandi, graduated from Brewer High School last year and is a freshman at TCC, planning to transfer to UTA soon majoring in Education. My son, Jonathan, is 16, been driving a month, wrecked my truck two weeks ago, but a good kid, just got a job at Braum's and wants to be a youth pastor.

★ **What are your hobbies?** Hunting

★ **What is your favorite part of being a code compliance officer?** I like working through issues with people and getting resolution on their property violations. Sometimes, this process can lead to critical intervention that get some people the help they have needed. I also like impacting the City in a positive way.

★ **Any interesting or little-known facts about yourself...** Well, I have made my share of bad choices, but I am very fortunate to have never been arrested, never had a broken bone, never had surgery, and never even had a cavity. Even now I am out of shape, but I have no health problems. I have a LOT to be thankful for.

★ **Who is your favorite celebrity?** Tommy Lee Jones

★ **What is your favorite food?** T-Bone Steak



## EULESS CITIZENS POLICE ACADEMY ALUMNI ASSOCIATION GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

**April 19, 2011**

Meeting Called to Order at 7:00 PM

### MEMBERS PRESENT:

Jozeff Balint, Jerri Balkon, Leah Benoit, Rene Bierschenk, Perry Brockmeyer, Sherri Browning, Stephanie Carroll, Dan Clark, Bobbi Davis, Clarence Davis, Loretta Doty, Steve Doty, Sharon Finnegan, JR Goad, Loren Johnson, Pete Jones, Sandi Jones, Jerrie Keller, Sue Kosec, Don Martin, Pat McDowell, Betty Overstreet, Betty Priddy, Wayne Priddy, , Judy Rick, Dick Rick, Chris Shanahan, Al Simmenroth, Barney Snitz, Faye Stinneford, Susan Vest, Helen Voss, Helen Wagner, Julie Watkins and Gary Landers. Also attending was the guest speaker from Waste Management, Marla Prince.

### INVOCATION, PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE & 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 thanked everyone for coming together to help in the volunteering at Dr. Pepper StarCenter where break-ins had occurred. Once we got in the Sky Box, no other

thefts occurred.

Pete thanked everyone for attending the CERT Drill and talked about the CERT Trip to Disaster City. He talked to a few members that had gone and all agreed it was a great learning experience and they would like to go back again sometime.

Pete Jones told everyone to take the sodas that were left-over as the dates were becoming outdated and we may as well use them. Other sodas have been purchased by Judy and Dick Rick.

JR Goad thanked everyone for working on the Trash-Off Day and CRUD Day activities. We made \$700 for CRUD Day.

### NEW BUSINESS

Pete Jones asked for minutes to be approved. Pat McDowell made a motion to accept the minutes of the last meeting. Helen Voss seconded the motion. Motion was passed.

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

CPAANT meeting will next be held at Garland Police Department on 7<sup>th</sup> of May. We need someone to go in Geri Sorg's place as she will not be able to attend.

Pete Jones brought up that our hours compared to last year are way down. This year in March we have 465 hours of volunteer time and last year in March we had 578. However, he mentioned that our meeting attendance is still good at an average of 35 per meeting.

Pete Jones thanked the Ricks for the chicken and everyone else for bringing pot luck dishes to fill in around the chicken.

Faye Stinneford told us about our next social which is this Thursday at Chick Fil A in Euless. It is good for breakfast, lunch and

dinner. In June our social will be at Cotton Patch on June 7<sup>th</sup>.

Pete wished Happy Birthday to: Dan Clark, Vicki Baum, Stephanie Carroll, Eugene Moren, Cokie Sloan, Kay Goad, Jerrie Keller and Betty Overstreet.

A card is being passed around for everyone's signature to send to Vicki Baum, who is in HEB hospital. JR will deliver it personally for us tomorrow.

The barbeque committee had its first meeting and Leah Benoit talked about how great this year's will be and that our second meeting will be held on May 11<sup>th</sup> at the Senior Facility where the barbeque will be held and that Diane Eggers will meet us and show us around.

Pete Jones told about awards letters he received to give to Scott Thomas and Ken Denne. The letters had not been available to hand out to them at their Awards Banquet.

Gary Landers gave us a check for \$620 from last year's golf tournament and asked for someone to help with the tickets for this year. Leah Benoit said she would do it. Raffle tickets are \$2 per ticket or 3 for \$5.

Gary Landers came with a request from the Chief for 10 RAD impact bags to use in our RAD classes. David Parker and Kim Althouse just went through training.

Faye Stinneford made a motion to buy the bags. Julie Watkins seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Gary Landers also passed along the information that he was taking 10 people including himself to Austin next week for the Police-man Officers Memorial Association Ceremony. The Honor Guard will appear in the parade to the capital. This was put into our budget last year so we already have the money allocated for this expenditure.

Sandi Jones made a motion to close the meeting. Julie Watkins seconded the motion. The meeting was closed at 8:30 pm.

## April 2011 Treasurer's Report

INCOME	Carry Over	April	YTD Income	Annual Budget	Over/Under Budget
<b>12/31/10 Balance in Checking</b>	<b>\$12,577.36</b>				
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	\$700.00	\$1,400.00	-\$700.00
Donations/Outside Income		\$620.01	\$620.01	\$0.00	\$620.01
Grocery Care Cards			\$33.04	\$100.00	-\$66.96
Membership Dues		\$80.00	\$1,300.00	\$1,500.00	-\$200.00
Member Merchandise			\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
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			\$100.00	\$600.00	-\$500.00
Warrant Roundup		\$762.50	\$762.50	\$1,000.00	-\$237.50
<b>Total Income</b>		<b>\$2,162.51</b>	<b>\$3,690.55</b>	<b>\$12,050.00</b>	<b>-\$8,359.45</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$12,577.36</b>	<b>\$16,267.91</b>	<b>\$16,267.91</b>		
EXPENSES	Carry Over	April	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			\$0.00	\$400.00	-\$400.00
Police Chief Wish Projects			\$0.00	\$3,265.00	-\$3,265.00
Police Honor Guard		\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00	\$0.00
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
<b>Total Expenses</b>		<b>\$3,000.00</b>	<b>\$3,490.04</b>	<b>\$12,050.00</b>	<b>-\$8,559.96</b>
<b>Funds Available in Checking</b>			<b>\$12,777.87</b>		
SAVINGS ACCOUNT					
Major Projects/Future Projects	\$10,057.53		\$10,057.53		
Interest from Savings Account		\$0.31	\$1.27		
<b>Funds Available in Savings</b>			<b>\$10,058.80</b>		

Total ECPAAA Funds

\$22,836.67

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