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Euleless Citizens Police Academy Alumni Association

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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

leah.benoit@vizientinc.com

Submissions are due the first day of each month.

Link to ECPAAA Web Page

<http://www.ecpaaa.org>

CRUD DAY AT OUR CITY OF EULESS—October 8th

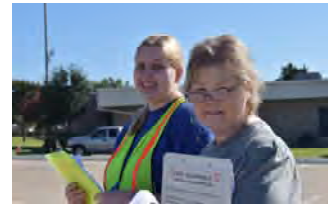
The ECPAAA hosts the Crud event every year. Thank you to all our great volunteers.



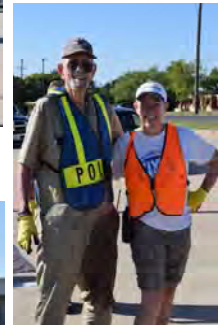
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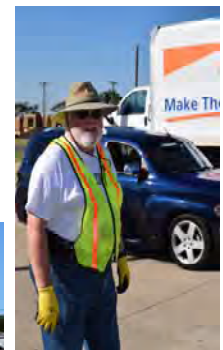
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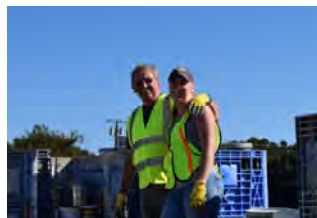
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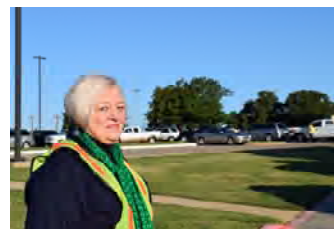
Jerri Balkon



Paul Haberer



Ken Denne & Jerrie Keller



Judy Rick

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

The holidays are upon us again. It seems like they expand the Christmas season by just a little more each year. It looks like we are going from Halloween to Christmas in a matter of a week. Whatever happened to Thanksgiving?

I, for one, believe in Thanksgiving!! The word Thanksgiving solicits a smile from me. It reminds me to stop, take a deep breath and reflect on all of the things I have to be thankful for. My life is full of challenges, as are yours, but I am thankful that I have a tremendous family to support me, the best friends anybody could ever hope to have, and I have the ability to serve in the greatest community in the world. What makes it even better is that I am surrounded by an army of people who live to serve others.

We have faced a very tough year together! I know we each have dealt with the challenges that we've faced in our own way. For all of you who have been with us every step of the way I cannot thank you enough for all you've done. I know it would be easy to get lost in the tragedy we faced, but there has been so much more to this year than sadness and loss. We've been able to expand our footprint in the community and establish strong relationships with various organizations and members of the community. We've welcomed new members to the organization and have celebrated the lives and careers of those who have retired. I am thankful for each day and for each and every one of you.

We have the ECPAAA BBQ coming up very soon! Please get your tickets for that very important community event. I know most of you will be there working in some capacity and lend your time and talents to the success of this event. As you know, this event is the major fundraiser for the year and everyone involved tries their best to make it a very fun night.

This community has come out and shown us so much support over the past year. I speak for the entire Police Department when I say we are humbled by the show of support we receive from the general public. There may be some parts of the nation where the police are not appreciated, but it's definitely not here in Euless, Texas. Each member of the department is reminded on a daily basis of the love and support that comes from this community. The ECPAAA leads the community when it comes to making the officers feel appreciated and cared for. I am thankful for this support and those of you who lead the way.

As I said before, there is no position in any organization that is not important, there is no task that's not worthy of doing well, and there is no one person more important than another. We are in this journey together, and I am thankful that you allow me to go along with you. I'm thankful that you choose to spend your precious minutes in service with the Euless Police Department and the citizens of the City of Euless.

In this extended Christmas season I ask that you don't forget the Thanksgiving. I give thanks to God for each of you, and I give thanks to you for all you do!

Your Servant,
Mike



October Volunteer Hours Comparison by Lou Baum

Month of October	Year
2016 — 613 Hours	2016 — 5829 Hours
2015 — 577 Hours	2015 — 4333 Hours
About a break even	Super +34% gain over last yr

Thanks to those who served our City Servants in October. Year to date we are well ahead of last year. Be sure to save time to serve during our busy time in November and December. Look forward to seeing all of you at our all important fund raising event November 12. Leah and staff still need some volunteers to serve during the evening. Please contact her if you are available. Until next month be safe and take care of each other.

EPD Liaison — Senior Corporal Rocky Fimbres

First, I want to personally thank everyone who attended the October ECPAAA meeting. We all had a great time and everyone was extremely generous. I have always thought the ECPAAA family was very generous with their time and effort, but I did not expect the warm and heart felt gestures you all provided my family. From the bottom of my heart, THANK YOU!

I am looking forward to the cooler weather now, and I am sure everyone expected fall weather in October instead of the summer-like temperatures. It is time to put the flip-flops and sandals aside and bring out the sweaters and jackets.

I want to remind everyone that Wednesday November 9th, 2016 from 930am-1030am the Euless Police Department will be hosting another "Coffee with a Cop" breakfast event. The event will be held at 3003 Hwy 121, Euless, Texas at Chick-fil-A. We have a good time speaking with citizens and friends about any topic. Last time we had this event I spoke with a wonderful couple that have been married for 48 years and had lived in Euless, TX since 1971. The sweet lady was also one of the first female officers in the Dallas Police Department before she became a teacher. To the ECPAAA members that are becoming regulars at these events your company and loyalty is always appreciated.

November 12th will be the ECPAAA bi-annual BBQ dinner fundraiser. This is a great event, with great food and great people. The dinner will have a private and silent auction. Tickets are \$15.00 a person, which includes ALL YOU CAN EAT BBQ. There is still time to purchase tickets and the dinner starts at 6pm.

Lastly, I am wishing everyone a wonderful Thanksgiving Holiday with their family and friends. Don't forget to watch the Dallas Cowboys and enjoy all the football games that day. I will also be taking a short leave of absence due to the birth of my son. The due date is November 23rd but I think the boy will come much sooner. Once again, ECPAAA family, I want to thank you for all your hard work and dedication.

Respectfully,

Rocky



Rocky & Holly's Baby Shower—October 18th

A great power point presentation was shown of several sonogram pictures of little Brody Garrison Fimbres, along with lots of beautiful gifts. They now have plenty of wipes, that's for sure! Rocky and Holly are very grateful for the gifts and the kindness our ECPAAA members show. Thanks to everyone for contributing to another great event.



From the President — Sandi Jones

November is one of my favorite months of the year, probably because it is my birthday month, but also because the leaves have changed and it is beautiful in Texas and the weather has turned chilly and the heat isn't making us miserable.

This is the month of our money making barbeque, which brings lots of fun and success for the ECPAAA. We didn't sell as many tickets this year as we normally do, but I am sure it will be a success. Everyone helps and everyone feels a sense of contentment when all is over. By the time our November meeting comes around, the barbeque will be over and we can rest for another two years. Thanks so much to everyone who helped make it the success it always is.

Christmas will be here before we know it, plus we will be voting for our new executive board at our next meeting. Lots of excitement to come! Make sure you make it to our next meeting so you can vote. See you there!



EULESS CITIZENS POLICE ACADEMY ALUMNI ASSOCIATION October 18, 2016 — EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING MINUTES

No Minutes Available at this time.

ECPAAA October 18, 2016 GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

No Minutes Available at this time.

REMINDER: ECPAAA BBQ Dinner/Auction Final Committee Meeting



This is a reminder that the final meeting for the BBQ Dinner/Auction will be on Monday, November 7th at 6:30 pm in the Euless Police Department Training Room.

If you have any donations, Dine 'N Dash gift cards and/or plates, please drop them off at this meeting no later than 7:00 pm. This is the last chance to donate anything for the auction.



If you are selling tickets, please bring all of your money/tickets/log sheets to the meeting. If you need to purchase tickets, they will be available at the meeting. Once again, please come by no later than 7:00 pm.

Thank you to everyone that is working hard to make this event successful.

Thanks,
Leah



Upcoming Events

Nov 8 — Election Day, cast your vote at Mary Lib Saleh Euleless Public Library, 201 N. Ector Drive.

Nov 8 — City Council Meeting, 7:00 pm, City Hall, 201 N. Ector Drive.

Nov 9 — Amateur Radio Euleless, 7:00 pm, Euleless Police Department, 1102 W. Euleless Blvd.

Nov 12—Diabetes Awareness Fun Walk, 9:30 am, Mary Lib Saleh Euleless Public Library, 201 N. Ector Drive.

Nov 12—ECPAAA BBQ and Dinner/Auction, 6—10 pm, Euleless Family Life Senior Center, 300 W. Midway Drive.

Nov 22 — City Council Meeting, 7:00 pm, City Hall, 201 N. Ector Drive.

Dec 1 — Masterworks Series: Harp Essence—An Ensemble of Concert Grand Harps, 7—8 pm, Euleless City Hall.

Dec 3 — Christmas Parade of Lights, 6:30 pm

Dec 10 — Heritage Park Christmas Celebration, 1 —5 pm., Heritage Park, 201 Cullum Drive.

Dec 13 — City Council Meeting, 7:00 pm, City Hall, 201 N. Ector Drive.

Dec 14 — Amateur Radio Euleless, 7:00 pm, Euleless Police Department, 1102 W. Euleless Blvd.

Dec 27 — City Council Meeting, 7:00 pm, City Hall, 201 N. Ector Drive.

October 2016 Volunteer Hours

CID Clerical — 25.75 Hours

Citizens On Patrol — 83.75 Hours

Includes the following:

COP Car — 74.75 Hours

COP Sky Tower — 9.0 Hours

Number of Handicap Citations Issued — 8

Courts — 0 Hours

Crime Victims Assistance Program — 0 Hours

CRUD — 45.25

Euleless Radio Club — 58.5 Hours

Jail — 23.5 Hours

Meetings — 77.5 Hours.....Includes the following:

CPAANT Meeting — 4.5 Hours

ECPAAA Board & General Meeting — 53 Hours

ECPAAA BBQ/Auction Committee Meeting— 20 Hours

Miscellaneous —168 Hours

Speed Trailer — 0 Hours

Training — 16 Hours (CERT DFW Exercise)

Vehicle Maintenance — 107 Hours

Watering of Plants — 7 Hours

Grand Total — 612.25 Hours

October YTD National Value of Volunteer Time — \$14,124.61

October YTD Texas Value of Volunteer Time — \$15,098.09

2016 YTD National Value of Volunteer Time — \$134,480.80

2016 YTD Texas Value of Volunteer Time — \$143,749.31

Happy Birthday ECPAAA Members

Doris Hammond — 11/12

David Shanahan — 11/12

Shelly Capil — 11/14

Sandi Jones — 11/15

Charlie Douglas — 11/18

Caroline Llewellyn — 11/27

ECPAAA Alumni Member(s) of the Year Past Recipients

2002	Al Simmenroth	2009	Chris Shanahan
2003	Sharon Finnegan	2010	Leah Benoit
2004	Richard & Ruth Zavala	2011	Dick & Judy Rick
2005	Nadine Barnes	2012	Loretta Doty
2006	Julie Watkins	2013	Loretta Doty
2007	Sonny Sizemore & Johnny Woodall	2014	Leah Benoit
2008	Leah Benoit	2015	Betty Overstreet

We are taking nominations for Volunteer of the Year. Please email your vote to Dana Nuber at dnuber@uta.edu

2017 ECPAAA EXECUTIVE BOARD

CONSIDER BEING IN SERVICE TO OUR FAIR CITY OF EULESS THROUGH OUR ECPAAA

President:

Second Vice President:

Treasurer:

First Vice President:

Secretary:

Due to not having a full ballot for 2017, we are post-poning until the December meeting. If you are interested in serving on the Executive Board please e-mail Melody Balkon, tgcgirl@yahoo.com. Voting will be at the December 20th meeting.

CPAANT Liaison — Leah Benoit – November 5, 2016 — Lewisville

The meeting was held at the Fred Herring Rec Center and there were approximately 40 people in attendance representing 14 cities. The speaker was Texas Trooper Sgt. Kyle Bradford and he spoke about Distracted Driving.

Sgt. Bradford showed videos of motor vehicle accidents that were caused by distracted driving. Distracted driving is defined as operating a motor vehicle while allowing anything to take your attention from driving. Driving while distracted affects the driver in three ways: 1) Perception, 2) Judgment and 3) Action. He also gave some Texas statistics and here are a few:

1 person is killed every 2.29 hours

3,531 deaths in 2015

476 people killed involving distracted driving in 2015

246,335 persons injured in motor vehicle traffic crashes in 2015

There were no deathless days in 2015, meaning there was not a day where someone was not killed in a traffic accident.

A few national statistics:

98% adults text compared to 43% teenagers

6,000 juveniles are killed every year in motor vehicle crashes

6 Billion cell phone users in 2012

7 Trillion texts are sent every minute

Can anyone guess what kills our youths more than guns, drugs and alcohol? If anyone is thinking car keys, you are correct.

The next meeting will be in Grand Prairie on December 3rd and it will be there potluck/Christmas party. For more information on CPAANT, visit the website at www.cpaant.org.



ECPAAA October 2016 Treasurer's Report

INCOME	Carry Over	October	YTD Income	Annual Budget	Over/Under Budget
12/31/15 Balance in Checking	\$7,175.96				
Afghan Fundraiser		\$25.00	\$275.00	\$30.00	\$245.00
Back the Blue Fundraiser			\$2,880.39	\$250.00	\$2,630.39
BBQ Dinner/Silent Auction		\$810.00	\$3,610.00	\$15,000.00	-\$11,390.00
Brick Sales			\$210.00	\$35.00	\$175.00
CRUD Day			\$609.06	\$700.00	-\$90.94
Donations/Outside Income		\$26.00	\$1,158.00	\$500.00	\$658.00
Fundraisers			\$51.64	\$200.00	-\$148.36
Grocery Care Cards			\$17.07	\$50.00	-\$32.93
Membership Dues			\$2,145.00	\$1,800.00	\$345.00
Member Merchandise			\$478.35	\$100.00	\$378.35
Recycle (Cans, Cartridges & Electronics)			\$0.00	\$150.00	-\$150.00
Warrant Roundup			\$512.50	\$750.00	-\$237.50
Funds Used to Cover Major Projects			\$0.00	\$13,310.00	-\$13,310.00
Total Income		\$861.00	\$11,947.01	\$32,875.00	-\$20,927.99
Total	\$7,175.96	\$19,122.97	\$19,122.97		
EXPENSES	Carry Over	October	YTD Expenses	Annual Budget	Over/Under Budget
9-1-1 Day			\$249.91	\$400.00	-\$150.09
Audit - Treasurer's Records			\$250.00	\$500.00	-\$250.00
Back the Blue Fundraiser			\$2,195.36	\$50.00	\$2,145.36
BBQ Silent Auction		\$4.98	\$3.64	\$8,250.00	-\$8,241.38
Bricks			\$0.00	\$300.00	-\$300.00
Checking Account Expenses			\$0.00	\$30.00	-\$30.00
CPAANT Dues			\$25.00	\$25.00	\$0.00
Fundraisers			\$0.00	\$300.00	-\$300.00
Expenses Not Categorized			\$494.67	\$500.00	-\$5.33
Honorarium Awards and Gifts			\$0.00	\$50.00	-\$50.00
Member Merchandise Items			\$99.99	\$150.00	-\$50.01
Memorials and Gifts		\$61.99	\$149.21	\$200.00	-\$50.79
Office Supplies			\$343.28	\$500.00	-\$156.72
PALS Summer Camp			\$0.00	\$1,200.00	-\$1,200.00
Police Appreciation Week			\$860.00	\$1,000.00	-\$140.00
Police Chief Wish Projects			\$4,500.00	\$12,445.00	-\$7,945.00
Police Honor Guard			\$0.00	\$5,000.00	-\$5,000.00
Police Officer Christmas Meals			\$0.00	\$450.00	-\$450.00
President Awards			\$172.02	\$200.00	-\$27.98
Social Events			\$38.52	\$400.00	-\$361.48
TCPAAA Convention			\$110.00	\$125.00	-\$15.00
Water by the Gallon			\$593.02	\$800.00	-\$206.98
Total Expenses		\$66.97	\$10,089.60	\$32,875.00	-\$22,785.40
Money Transferred to Savings			\$0.00	Note: \$555.25 of Outside Donations is earmarked for RAD Equipment; the BBQ/Silent Auction funds includes a \$850 donation from a member and \$225 from a non member.	
Money Transferred from Savings			\$4,500.00		
Funds Available in Checking			\$13,533.37		
SAVINGS ACCOUNT					
Major Projects/Future Projects	\$16,341.61		\$16,341.61		
Interest from Savings Account		\$0.10	\$1.01		
Savings Deposit			\$0.00		
Savings Withdrawal			\$4,500.00		
Funds Available in Savings			\$11,842.62		
Total ECPAAA Funds			\$25,375.99		