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NCTRPA Instructor to Speak

One of the training personnel from the North Central Texas Regional Police Academy will be our guest speaker for the meeting of the Euless Citizens Police Academy Alumni Association on September 21st at 7:00 p.m. in the conference room of Building A.

NCTRPA is the oldest regional law enforcement academy in the nation, founded in 1968, and last year celebrated thirty years of quality law enforcement education and training. The North Central Texas Regional Police Academy provides basic law enforcement training for persons interested in a career as a law enforcement officer in the State of Tex-This program covers legal topics, police procedures, investigative techniques, and technical skills. Graduates of the program receive a certificate of completion and certification to the Texas Commission on Law Enforcement Officer Standards and Education (TCLEOSE) of eligibility to take the peace officer licensing examination.

Our speaker plans to show us some slides of the academy, give us a "hands on" taste of some of the training that our officers experience and you will be given an opportunity to ask questions. Come, bring a snack, and join the fun!!!

Welcome to Class 10!

The ECPAAA would like to WELCOME the Members of Class 10 which started on September 9, 1999! We hope you all have fun and enjoy the class. We look forward to working with and getting to know you.

WELCOME!

David Acker Carol Butler Dale Derstine Martha Derstine Jacqueline Humphrey Kimberly Knighton Thomas Lane **Dona Rogers** JoAnn Rogers Diane Rasor Rose-Marie Stevens Vickie White



**** Congratulations to Bob Bouse! He won the brick drawing for the month of August.

We currently have 71 paid members!

Lou's Perspective

September is always an exciting time of the year for all of us. We each have our reasons why we enjoy this particular time of year. Yours truly has a list to include: cooler temperatures, and that relates to numerous lists, the

Rangers are still "in the hunt", the Cowboys seemed to be ready, to some it doesn't make any difference, back to school is in full swing, a break for all Moms. For the Alumni Members, September brings memories of Arbor Daze past, Race Track Events, Six Flags Security "work", convention memories, and the hard push for brick sales.

I hope the last item brings an enthusiasm and excitement for the future to this organization. I had the pleasure in seeing the first "mock up" of the statue at the P/D this evening. Each of you can drop by the station and see for yourself what you are working toward. Let's continue to have fun and challenge each other to ask our friends and neighbors to support us and be a part of history.

From the support and results the water bill has produced, there is a lot of folks that want to buy a brick

or two, but have not heard about our project. Thanks to those who have sold some bricks, and continue to talk to all who will listen. To those who have not started, please give it a try and you might be surprised with the results.

To end my perspective for this month, remember to be kind to one another, and be especially mindful to all of our children around us. BECAUSE ------

ONE HUNDRED YEARS FROM NOW IT WILL NOT MATTER WHAT KIND OF CAR YOU DROVE, WHAT KIND OF HOUSE YOU LIVED IN, HOW MUCH MONEY YOU HAD IN YOUR BANK ACCOUNT, NOR WHAT YOUR CLOTHES LOOKED LIKE.

BUT ONE HUNDRED YEARS FROM NOW THE WORLD MAY BE A LITTLE BETTER BECAUSE YOU WERE IMPORTANT IN THE LIFE OF A CHILD.



From the Desk of Sgt. Williamson

Summer is about over and I have used all my excuses for taking time off. As we move into the Fall, my big push is to get the COP's program up and running. I know you don't hear much about it, but it is not forgotten. We have the radios in hand and the car should be ready in about two weeks. It is at the body shop getting all the dents and scrapes taken out of it. I think it will be a car all of you will be proud to drive around town. When the car is ready, I plan to have a meeting of all members who are trained COP'S. Following this, I will hold a training class for all those alumni members who have not been trained and want to do so. The more citizens we can put out there the better the program will work.

On a different note, we start CPA Class I0 on the 9th of this month. It looks like another great class. All of the students are very eager and I think will make good alumni members. Like in all of our other classes, I will be

looking for help for some of the instructors to conduct practical exercises. We will be looking for some less "trigger happy" help this time (just kidding Chris).

I know Lou will tell everyone, but I also want to let you know that the Euless City Council will be recognizing Leah at its September 28th meeting for the award she received from the last state conference. Being selected as the Alumni Member of the Year for the whole State of Texas is a great honor and we all need to be there and continue to recognize Leah for her accomplishments.

All of you keep up the good work you are doing with

the Association. All of the hard work you are doing makes it easier for all of us at the Police Department to do our job. Again thanks for all you do.



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August 1999 Treasurer's Report

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Euless Citizens Police Academy Alumni Association Minutes of the Tuesday, July 20, 1999 Monthly Meeting

GUEST SPEAKER: Cpl. John Plemmons spoke about Auto Theft.

Meeting called to order at 8:40 p.m.

PRESENT: President, Lou Baum; Vice President, Linda Martin; Treasurer, Ed Benyon; Secretary, Leah Benoit Byron Benoit, Bob Bouse, May Clayton, Jackie Dohring, Karen Duncan, Sharon Finnegan, Madeline Losito, Barbara Lucas, Don Martin, Chris Marz, Troy Mennis, Dick Rick, Judy Rick, Chris Shanahan, Al Simmenroth, Barney Snitz, Margaret Stowe, Susan Vest, Helen Voss, Helen Wagner and our guests Mike, Anicia, Aja and Leland Brown, Bob Freeman, Ginny Kratz, Lori McGiboney, Gary McKamie and Julie Winkle.

LIAISON: Sgt. Ron Williamson

ABSENT: Dale Anderson, Karen Benyon, Boyce Beyers, Linda Brehm, Todd Burnell, Jack Canonico, Marlene Carberry, Bill Carey, Sarah Chandler, Dan Clark, Scott Dennett, Katie Edwards, Della Ferris, Frank Freeman, Judie Grau, Lori Greco, Ron Gregory, Gary Haecker, Kathy Haecker, Patrick Hinde, Monty Huffman, Helen Lightbody, Kelly Lowery, Charles Mitchell, Judie Nolden, Eric Owens, Jud Park, Mary Payblas, Nick Payblas, Glenn Pinkston, Winnie Pinkston, Merle Prestwood, Duane Rogers, Dave Shanahan, Melissa Shane, Randy Shane, Mamie Singleton, Geri Sorg, Julie Stephenson, Bob Strength, Deborah Taylor, Bill Teague, Marcell Tennyson, George Weidenhof, Shari Wheeler, Jim White and LaVerle White.

MINUTES: A motion was made by Barbara Lucas to accept the July minutes as stated in the Newsletter. Second by Susan Vest. Passed.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Ed Benyon explained why the Treasurer's Report was not printed in the newsletter – computer technical problems. Ed gave the balances in the two accounts: Checking \$3,572.15 and Money Market \$15,604.97. A motion was made by Jackie Dohring to approve the July Treasurer's Report as given by Ed. Second by Chris Shanahan. Passed.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Fund Raising Reports:

- 1. Brick Fund Raiser Leah Benoit reported as of August 20, 1999, we have made a total of \$8,850.00 with 190 bricks sold. Bob Bouse is our August contest winner. Congratulations Bob!
- 2. Reward Programs Leah Benoit reported on the Second Quarter results. Albertson \$31.40, Kroger \$23.20 (a check will be issued 3rd quarter) and Tom Thumb \$55.24 for a total of \$109.84.
- 3. Baked Goods Fund Raiser Decided not to have one this Fall; will have one in the Spring. Date to be determined.
- 4. Starlight Theater Leah Benoit reported that the Alumni Association made \$189.34 working the concession stand on July 30th and 31st. Leah thanked Karen Duncan, Judie Grau and Helen Voss who helped Leah work on July 30th and Al Simmenroth and Geri Sorg who helped Leah work on July 31st.
- 5. Bass Pro Shop New fund raiser that will take place in the Spring of 2000. A hunting and fishing trade show will be held in the Spring and we have been asked to help with folding t-shirts, sacking bags and rounding up carts from the parking lots. We will get paid \$5.25 an hour and can work as many hours as we would like during this 3-day trade show. Linda Martin made a motion that the Alumni work this fund raiser. Second by Susan Vest. Passed.

Membership Report:

6. Chris Shanahan reported as of August 17, 1999, we have 71 paid members.

Newsletter Report:

7. Chris Shanahan reported that if you would like to submit an article for the Newsletter, please submit it two weeks prior to the next Alumni meeting.

EXECUTIVE UPDATES:

- 8. Lou Baum along with Mike Brown and Gary McKamie presented Leah Benoit with the Bill Ennis Award for the Texas Citizens Police Academy Alumni Member of 1999, along with flowers and a cake. Lou read to the Alumni a couple of the letters that were part of the nomination package for this award. Lori McGiboney, Leah's Manager at VHA, presented her with flowers and congratulated her on this award. Lots of pictures were taken, and lots of cake was eaten by all in attendance. Sharon Finnegan and Byron Benoit also brought along cakes with Congratulations Leah on them. Leah thanked everyone for their help and support throughout the last three years.
- 9. Karen Duncan brought our Alumni pins to the meeting. They look great. Thanks Karen for a job well done! Pins are \$3.00 for Alumni members if you would like to purchase one. They will be at each Alumni meeting.
- 10. Lou Baum spoke briefly about the Emergency Call List. There are four Captains and these Captains are responsible for calling the four or five people on their list when the Alumni gets called out to help the Police Department in an emergency situation, like an Amber Alert.
- 11. Linda Martin spoke about 911 Day. A list was passed around for volunteers to help organize this day. Thanks to Troy Mennis for bringing the yummy refreshments. Leah Benoit and Linda Martin will supply refreshments at the September meeting.
- 12. Sgt. Ron Williamson reported that National Night Out was a success. Around 1,000 people participated with around 36 National Night

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Out block parties. Citizens Police Academy Class 10 will start on September 9th. If you need a new badge, please show up at the Police Station on September 9th between 6:30 and 7:00 p.m. so we can take your picture. We are in need of volunteers for the building search, red handle gun, etc. Please call Ron if you are interested in helping out. There will be Citizens On Patrol (COP) training in September. Our car is still not ready. There will be a minimum of three people needed to run the COP Program whenever the patrol car goes out on patrol. Ron, Al Simmenroth, Don Martin and Lou Baum attended the Houston Symposium. A good time was had by all. Don made a new friend in Houston!

COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR:

13. Troy Mennis announced that he will be attending school for the next few years and will not be able to attend the Alumni meetings. He will, however, remain an active member. Good luck Troy! Bob Bouse mentioned that it was easy selling a brick to his neighbors at his National Night Out party. Lou Baum commended Leah Benoit on her award.

Motion made by Byron Benoit to adjourn the meeting at 9:30 p.m. Second by Helen Voss.

From the Chief's Office



Greetings from the Chief's Office. I would like to first congratulate Leah Benoit on being honored as The State Of Texas Citizen Police Academy Alumnus of the Year. Leah does a great job for the Alum-

ni Association, the police Department, and her neighborhood. She is a great lady and we all thank her for all she does and are very proud of her. Kathy and Gary Haecker stated they also have some bragging rights. Their son John, a new Euless Police Officer graduated number 1 in his class from the regional Police Academy. The other Euless Officer in the class, David Parker, came in number 2 in the class. As proud as the Haecker's were, I was just as proud for Euless for us to have the top 2 police recruits in the class. We have another Citizen Police Academy Class starting on September 9, 1999. We are looking forward to meeting new friends and extending our police family. We truly appreciate all that y'all do in helping with these classes and making the class members feel welcome. Geri Sorg came by with the small wax model of the proposed statute for the new police and courts facility. If you want to see the model come by the break room of the PD, it looks great. Last but not least an update on our COP equipment. The radios have been purchased, programmed, and are in. Our fleet service manager states he now has the vehicle and is starting the transformation so it can be utilized for COP. I know its been a long time coming but I am excited about what we can all accomplish for the community. Thanks for your continuing support.



Welcome and Congratulations!!

The Alumni Association would like to welcome our two newest police officers John Haecker and David Parker.



Happy 911 Day!!





The Citizens Police Academy Alumni Association would like to thank the Euless Police Department 911 Dispatch for all of the hard work you do!! You help keep our community safe along with our police officers. Keep up the good work!!











Proverbs

A first grade teacher collected well-known proverbs. She gave each child in her class the first half of a proverb and asked them to come up with the remainder of the proverb. Their insight may surprise you.

Better to be safe than Punch a 5th grader					
Strike while the Bug is close					
It's always darkest before Daylight Savings Time					
Never underestimate the power of Termites					
You can lead a horse to water but how?					
Don't bite the hand that looks dirty					
No news is impossible					
A miss is as good as aMr.					
You can't teach an old dog new math					
If you lie down with dogs, you'll stink in the morning					
Love all, trust me					
The pen is mightier than the pigs					
An idle mind is the best way to relax					
Where there's smoke there's pollution					
Happy the bride who gets all the presents					
A penny saved is not much					
Two's company, three's the Musketeers					
Don't put off till tomorrow what you put on to go to bed					
Laugh and the whole world laughs with you, cry and					
you have to blow your nose					
None are so blind as Helen Keller					
Children should be seen and not spanked or grounded					
If at first you don't succeed get new batteries					
You get out of something what you see pictured on the box					
When the blind leadeth the blind get out of the way!					

Strange Laws

In Vermont, USA, it is illegal for women to wear false teeth without the written permission of their husbands.

A monkey was once tried and convicted for smoking a cigarette in South Bend, Indiana.

Acting was once considered to be evil, and the actors in the first English play to be performed in America were arrested.

It's illegal to buy ice cream after 6 PM in Newark, NJ. unless you have a written note from your doctor.

In Texas, it is illegal to curse in front of or indecently expose a corpse.

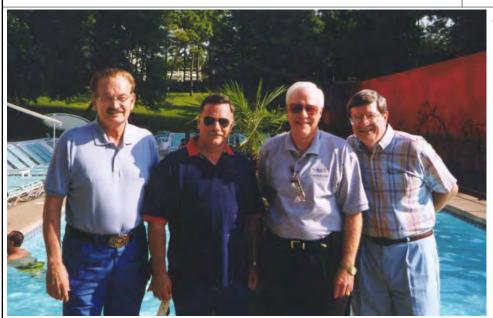
In Michigan, USA, a man legally owns his wife's hair.

As late as 1932, jail-breaking in Texas was not a crime if the prisoner escaped without using a gun.

It's against the law to catch fish with your bare hands in Kansas.

In Kentucky, it is illegal to carry ice cream in your back pocket.

In Boston, it is illegal to take a bath unless one has been ordered to by a physician.



The Fearless 4

These are the four men that survived the trip to Houston for the State Convention. We can only guess as to what all happened down there.



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In This Issue...

Welcome Class 10!



Reminders...

- ⇒ ECPAAA Meeting Tuesday, Sept. 21, 1999. Building A Conference Room at 7:00 PM!!
- ⇒ 911 day September 11, 1999
- ⇒ Keep Selling Bricks!
- $\Rightarrow ECPAAA's \ Web \ page \ has \ a \ new \ look! \ http://home.earthlink.net/~diver93/ecpaaa/ecpaaa.htm$

The new lapel pins are now in! If you would like to purchase one they are \$3.00 and will be available at the next meeting. Also, if you have not picked up your copy of the new directory the will also be available at the meeting!