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Euleless Citizens Police Academy Alumni Association

Monthly Newsletter

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2016 Officers

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- Secretary:** Jerri Balkon
- Treasurer:** Dana Nuber
- Parliamentarian:** Jerry Goad
- EPD Liaison:** Senior Corporal Rocky Fimbres
- CPAANT Liaison:** Leah Benoit

July Speaker – Paul Haberer Topic – What to do in an Emergency and How to Prepare

Paul will give us tips on how to control bleeding, how to assist in breathing and what are some of the supplies to have on hand for an emergency in your home.



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>



Happy Birthday ECPAAA Members

Teresia Foreman — 7/10

Tim Stinneford — 7/22

Rose-Marie Stevens — 7/16

Kathy Ames — 7/24

Cynthia Schmidt — 7/28

Presidential Volunteer Awards Ceremony

Monday, July 11, 2016, 7:00 pm

Euleless City Hall

Alumni members are being asked to bring
desserts and beverages.

Please bring desserts and beverages by 6:30 pm.

From the Desk of Chief Mike Brown

Words cannot describe the feelings that I have over systematic slaying of 5 police officers and the wounding of 7 others in Dallas last night. I have been in law enforcement since 1974 and I have never witnessed such an all-out assault on the police in that time.

Sorry, I wish I could talk about Neighborhood Watch and the importance of keeping your garage door locked and your valuables locked up, but I can't. Not today.

Today I am angry, frustrated and concerned about my brothers and sisters in law enforcement. I am scared for my country and the institutions that are in place to ensure a safe society. When you have people who hold such little regard for the lives of those who are there to protect them that they proudly proclaim their hatred and desire to inflict death and suffering on the entire community to further their twisted agenda then our society has been fundamentally changed.



I completely understand, and admit, that the police are not perfect. Each police department is made up of men and women, human beings who are not perfect. No, not one is perfect, no matter what they will lead you to believe. If perfection is the mark then we have all missed it by miles. So, is it going to surprise anyone that a police officer here or a police officer over there has done something wrong? If you get surprised by that then you don't understand human nature and you have an unrealistic view of the world. We are not perfect, but, when only 1 out of every 12 people who apply to be a police officer actually make it, when the filters that are in place catch most of the people who have no business being a police officer, and the honor and integrity of those who have made it are the final filter, I feel pretty comfortable that we are doing our best to recruit, train and employ only the best of those who apply. Is there room for improvement? Most definitely, there always is. We will continue to find new and innovate ways to only hire the best police officers possible.

What I ask of each of you is when you hear of police misconduct, police brutality, and charges of racism leveled at the police that you will take a minute and listen to the story, then wait for the rest of the story to come out before you pass a final judgment on the police. The police cannot always tell their side of the story immediately. We are concerned with gathering the facts, not the emotions, of the incident. One thing about facts is that they don't change. During an investigation it may take a while to establish all of the facts. Most police departments will not comment until they have all the facts, so that when the story is finally told, it never changes. In other words, be patient and wait for the facts to come out then make your judgment on the facts of the situation and not the emotions of the event.

When the emotions of an event outweigh the facts of the event then justice is never served.

Stay safe! Thank you for all you do for us. Please keep the members of both the Dallas Police Department and the Dallas Area Rapid Transit Police Department in your prayers. We know all too well the road they are traveling.

Your Servant,
Mike

June Volunteer Hours Comparison by Lou Baum

Month	Year
2016 — 608 Hours	2016 — 3,580 Hours
2015 — 302 Hours	2015 — 1,991 Hours
101% Increase	80% Increase

Way to go gang. What a great month of serving the servants. Volunteer hours look outstanding. With our new members joining the volunteer hours should even get larger. Let's keep it rolling. Be Safe.

EPD Liaison — Senior Corporal Rocky Fimbres

Hello ECPAAA Family,

I hope everyone enjoyed their July 4th extended holiday weekend with their friends and family. The month of June was extremely busy for the Community Services Division with PALS summer camp and other events. Corporal James Gordon and I had the privilege to attend the 2016 Texas Citizens on Patrol Association Conference that was held in Grand Prairie, Texas.

I was told that over one hundred and fifty Citizens on Patrol members from all over the State of Texas attended the event. Two of our very own Pete and Sandi Jones also attended the conference with us. The conference was a 4 day event that taught COP members different ways to utilize their training in dealing with different police scenarios/issues. There were over 20 different courses that were being taught that included Suspicious Activity- Day and Night Patrol, Being a Good Witness, Active Shooter, Dealing with a Deaf person, Crime Scene, and many more. I encourage any member to attend and James and I got some great ideas from the conference.

I also want to remind everyone on a very important event coming up Monday, July 11, 2016 at 7:00 pm at City Hall. The annual Presidential Awards will be given to volunteers for the amount of volunteer hours provided to the city. This year 23 recipients will be honored. I was told that nationwide, ECPAAA ranks 2nd in the nation with the number of "Gold Life Time Awards" which one person has to accumulate over 4000 hours for this award. We currently have 8 ECPAAA members that have been recognized with this achievement. Please join the Euless Police Department in congratulating the 9th person to receive this award at this year's event.

On July 20, 2016 from 6:30 pm to 8:30 pm the Community Services Division will be hosting a Citizens on Patrol class on police radio usage, day and night patrol, and how to avoid and deal with confrontation. I encourage everyone to attend and you MUST be a current ECPAAA member to attend. The class will be at the Euless Police Department in the training room.

Once again, summer time is typically the time when criminal activity is at its peak. Remember to keep all garage doors closed and lawn equipment always in view. Please report all suspicious activity and persons to the police department. Enjoy the warm weather and remember to always keep hydrated.

Respectfully,
Rocky



Brent Thompson, Dallas Area Rapid Transit



Lorne Ahrens, Dallas Police



Michael Smith, Dallas Police

Michael Krol, Dallas Police

Patrick Zamarripa, Dallas Police

From the President — Sandi Jones

Happy July,

Boy, it has sure gotten hot. I hate to think of August when it will probably be sweltering. I have been complaining about all the rain we have been having but I bet I will be praying for it in August.

Since it is summer, all the little kids will be out and about playing in the parks and on the streets. Please be extra careful and drive slowly to avoid any mishaps. I can think of nothing worse than hitting a little child and causing any damage.

Our barbeque will be here before you know it and we will be busy planning, selling tickets and getting donations for our silent auction. Start thinking of it now, as to whom you will approach to buy a ticket and if you can think of anyone who will donate a silent auction item, please ask them. We need as many silent auction items as we can get; each year it seems like we get more and more, which is really good. All the money we make goes into our Police Fund to aid the Police Department in any way they need.

Another cop class is being held by James Gordon on Wednesday, July 20th at 6:30 PM. If you are interested in driving a COP Car out and about, then make an effort to take this class, because in order to drive the car, you MUST TAKE THE CLASS.

Hope to see you at our meeting in the training room on Tuesday night at 7:00 PM, July 19th.



EULESS CITIZENS POLICE ACADEMY ALUMNI ASSOCIATION JUNE 21, 2016

EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Meeting was called to order at 6:12 p.m.

Attendees: Jerri Balkon, Leah Benoit, Teresia Foreman, Jerry Goad, Pete Jones, Sandi Jones, John Luna, Dana Nuber, Jean Nuber, Julie Watkins and Sr. Cpl. Rocky Fimbres

Old business — John Luna gave an update on the water solution. Water by the Gallon is closing on Eules Main and moving their business to the Bedford Store and our card will carryover to that store. A committee will be put together to come up with a solution.

A sheet with all of the different committees needed in the ECPAAA will be passed around to the membership. There will be a greeter at the door as well as a Hospitality/Social Committee to help plan socials to local restaurants for our entire group to repay all the places that gave us so much help when Officer Hofer passed away.

Discussed the speaker and topic for July.

New Business — Teresia Foreman will explain the Adopt-A-Cop program that she would like to begin.

Lou Baum will discuss the Presidential Awards evening for volunteers.

The TCPAAA convention in Corpus Christi will be mentioned as well as the dates and the cost and enrollment deadline.

The decision was also made to start having people check themselves in on the roll each month and the roll will be placed by the front door. This will be announced this evening.

Dana Nuber made a motion to dismiss the meeting and Sandi Jones seconded it. The meeting was dismissed at 6:54 p.m.

Upcoming Events

- July 11 — Presidential Volunteer Awards Ceremony, 7:00 pm, City Hall, 201 N. Ector Drive
- July 12 — City Council Meeting, 7:00 pm, City Hall, 201 N. Ector Drive
- July 13 — Amateur Radio Euless, 7:00 pm, Euless Police Department Emergency Operations Center
- July 19 — ECPAAA Board Meeting, 6:15 pm; General Meeting, 7:00 pm, Euless Police Department
- July 20 — Water University—Shade Gardening, 6:30-8:30 pm, City Hall, 201 N. Ector Drive
- July 20 — Citizens On Patrol Class, 6:30-8:30 pm, Euless Police Department
- July 23 — Clear the Shelters, 9:00—2:00 pm, Euless Animal Shelter, 1517 Westpark Way
- July 26 — City Council Meeting, 7:00 pm, City Hall, 201 N. Ector Drive
- Aug 6 — CPAANT Regional Meeting, 10:00 am—12:00 Noon, Denton (for location & directions visit www.cpaant.org)
- Aug 10 — Amateur Radio Euless, 7:00 pm, Euless Police Department Emergency Operations Center
- Aug 16 — ECPAAA Board Meeting, 6:15 pm; General Meeting, 7:00 pm, Euless Police Department

June 2016 Volunteer Hours

- CID Clerical – 25 Hours
- Citizens On Patrol – 110.25 Hours
Includes the following:
COP Car – 107.25 Hours
COP Sky Tower – 3 Hours
Number of Handicap Citations Issued – 5
- Courts – 0 Hours
- Crime Victims Assistance Program – 2 Hours
- Euless Radio Club – 57.5 Hours
- Jail – 10.5 Hours
- Meetings – 112 Hours
Includes the following:
ECPAAA Meeting – 47 Hours
Texas COP Convention – 59 Hours
- Miscellaneous –125.5 Hours
- Speed Trailer – 8 Hours
- Vehicle Maintenance – 114.5 Hours
- Training — 38.5 Hours (CERT)
- Watering of Plants – 4 Hours

Grand Total – 607.75 Hours

June YTD National Value of Volunteer Time — \$14,020.79

June YTD Texas Value of Volunteer Time — \$14,987.12

2016 YTD National Value of Volunteer Time — \$82,579.07

2016 YTD Texas Value of Volunteer Time — \$88,270.47

June Meeting — 38 Alumni Members & 2 Guests Present

Help Needed Now

- Donation Acquisitions
- Sell Tickets (available at July Mtg)

Friday, November 11th

- (Set-up Time TBD)
- Any Number of Volunteers Welcomed
- Auction Room Set-up
- Dining Room Set-up

ECPAAA BBQ Dinner/Auction Event Help Needed

Saturday, November 12th

Auction Numbers Table (2)	Live Auction Monitors (2)
Door Greeter (1)	Food Table Monitors (2)
Ticket Collectors (2)	Dessert Table Monitor (1)
Tea/Water Station (2)	Trash Collectors (2)
Silent Auction Room Monitors (2)	Auction Close-out (4 Cashiers)
Live Auction Scribe (1)	Auction Close-out Runners (4)

**EULESS CITIZENS POLICE ACADEMY ALUMNI ASSOCIATION
JUNE 21, 2016 GENERAL MEETING MINUTES**

Attendees: Kathy Ames, Jerri Balkon, Lou Baum, Leah Benoit, Brenda Brown, Rusty Brown, Eric Brunstad, Donna Cohen, Stephan Cohen, Shawna De Puente, John Deithloff, Gary Fieldsend, Sharon Finnegan, Teresia Foreman, Jerry Goad, Ruben Hernandez, Pete Jones, Sandi Jones, Leslie Kane, Mark Lee, John Luna, Don Martin, Marla Martinez, Anniece McKanna, Dana Nuber, Jean Nuber, Betty Overstreet, Jason Reyes, Grace Smith, Barney Snitz, Al Somanath, Peggy Vandiver, Julie Watkins, Susanna Whitten, Kristi Wynne and Sr. Cpl. Rocky Fimbres

Sandi Jones called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. The meeting began with prayer and the flag salutes to the American and the Texas Flag.

Three forms were passed out for new members to enroll. Dana was introduced as the Treasurer and the person to whom the cash or check should be turned into. Sandi announced that the fee to enroll for the remainder of the year is \$10 instead of \$20.

Sandi Jones asked how many had read the minutes and if any changes needed to be made to them. Leah Benoit made a motion to accept the minutes as presented and Pete Jones seconded the motion. The motion was passed.

Sandi Jones read the June birthdays and we sang Happy Birthday to those who had a birthday and were in attendance.

Old Business

Discussed the committees and passed around the sign-up sheets for anyone interested on serving on any of these committees.

Leah Benoit mentioned BBQ ticket information will be placed in the August edition of the Eules Today and that tickets will also be available for purchase at Julie Watkin's place of business. The event is Saturday, November 12th and tickets are \$15. Since we will be going public with the ticket sales this year our membership is encouraged to purchase their tickets early since there are a limited number of them. Donations are needed for auction items and we all need to get busy asking businesses to donate items.

Leah Benoit also mentioned the Amazon Shopper deal that she sent out an e-mail about that gives money back to the ECPAAA when you buy products from Amazon. Leah had asked last month for someone to take over putting together the newsletter and Susanna Whitten will learn from Leah the rest of this calendar year and will take over the production of the newsletter in January of 2017.

Julie Watkins mentioned that there are still some shirts to be delivered. We sold 172 garments and she hopes to have an actual number to report to us next month on what ECPAAA's profit will be.

New Business

Teresia Foreman explained the Adopt-a-COP program and said we should start small and build into it. She suggested offering to pay for the meal of a police officer when you are eating out. She also mentioned finding a word of the day or a word of the week and putting it into their mailboxes. She mentioned a 17 block radius in San Antonio that has painted a blue strip next to their address number on the street in support of their police officers. Sandi mentioned that her whole gated neighborhood have decorated with blue ribbons. Since there are over 100 officers we need a list. The list was tabled so that Rocky can follow-up with Eva on getting us a list.

Sandi Jones announced that we will be changing the way we handle check-in starting next month. Check-in will be at the podium and it will be each person's own responsibility to sign themselves in on the list each month.

Sandi Jones announced the TCPAAA Convention which is being held in Corpus Christi this year on July 3th through August 3rd. The deadline to register is July 1st. The cost to register \$130 and the cost for the hotel room each night is also \$130. She encouraged any and all who can afford to attend to do so since it is very educational.

Lou Baum talked about the Presidential Awards and how they began in 2002 under President Bush and that our city is number 2 in the United States. He explained the award categories and mentioned that we have 7 associates who will be going over the 4000 hour mark for the Lifetime Gold Award and 23 recipients who will be receiving them this year. He also mentioned a surprise that you would only find out about if you attend the presentation on Friday, July 15th.

Peggy Vandiver made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Melody Balkon seconded it. The meeting was adjourned at 7:46 p.m.

ALUMNI CORNER



Spotlight on Charlie Douglas

Charlie is a graduate of CPA Class #32. He was born in Monroe, Louisiana and has been a resident of Eules for 32 years. Charlie is married to Barbara, an IRA Specialist, and has two sons William, a Database Manager, and Joseph, a student that will be attending UTA this fall majoring in Finance.

Charlie is a retired Avionics Engineer. He worked as a Senior Regional Support Tech at Fidelity Investments for 12 years and retired in September of 2015 from Miraca Life Sciences in Irving as an I.T. Systems Administrator.

Charlie's hobbies are computers and computer related technology. He also loves dog training and currently has a 5 year old German Shepherd named Annabelle. Charlie says Annabelle is the best dog he has ever owned and is smarter than most people.

His favorite books are Huck Finn, Tom Sawyer, Marine Sniper, Gone With the Wind, To Kill a Mockingbird and the next favorite will be Go Set a Watchman, if he ever manages to finish reading the book. As far as movies go, Charlie says all of the Star Wars, Star Trek and James Bond movies, Forrest Gump, Gone With the Wind and Full Metal Jacket are his favorites.

Charlie has had some interesting life experiences. He got to see President Reagan in person in 1986 in Jacksonville, Florida. He also got to see Manuel Noriega flown into Homestead AFB in 1989 and transferred from a transport plane to a police van and taken away. They locked the base down for two hours while this was being done. He spent many years working on the F-16 Fighters when they were new. He helped start F-16 squadrons when the F-16's were first being deployed and they were scrapping all the Vietnam era planes like the F-4's, the F105's and F106's. He helped covert several squadrons to F-16's.

He is eager to start volunteering and he is very interested in the Citizens On Patrol program. He will also be helping out when needed with the Vehicle Maintenance program. Charlie says he can help out with any technology due to his extensive background in computers, networks, servers, phone systems, etc.

Finally, Charlie would love to know how to pick the winning numbers for the lottery and Powerball!

Welcome to the Eules Citizens Police Academy Alumni Association Charlie!



CPAANT Liaison — Leah Benoit

Burleson — July 9, 2016

The meeting was held in the new Burleson Police Department and there were 45 people in attendance representing 17 cities. The guest speaker was Elizabeth Page, Disabled Crime Victims Assistance, Inc. Her mother Wanda Page, Crime Victims Assistance Coordinator for the Burleson Police Department also spoke and gave a brief history on how she became involved with Crime Victims. Elizabeth was shot May 11, 1988 while working as a Social Worker by a client who was diagnosed as a paranoid schizophrenic. He chased her and a co-worker into a building and had 7 bullet holes in her back and chest. She spent 3 weeks in the ICU and 5-1/2 months in a rehab hospital and is in a wheelchair. She was released from the hospital in October and in January started working on her masters. She works for Cook's Children part time and her non-profit organization part-time. The man spent 20 years in prison for attempted murder and was released in 2008. Elizabeth's Mother Wanda, was approached by the Burleson Police Department about starting up a Crime Victims Assistance Program and in December 1989, the program was up and running.

Chief Billy Cordell and Sgt. Brian O'Heren with the Burleson Police Department stopped by to say a few words. The next meeting will be hosted by the Denton CPAAA on August 6th. If anyone is interested in attending the CPAANT meetings with me, please let me know. For more information on CPAANT, see the website at www.cpaant.org.



ECPAAA June 2016 Treasurer's Report

INCOME	Carry Over	June	YTD Income	Annual Budget	Over/Under Budget
12/31/15 Balance in Checking	\$7,175.96				
Afghan Fundraiser			\$150.00	\$30.00	\$120.00
Back the Blue Fundraiser			\$2,762.39	\$250.00	\$2,512.39
BBQ Dinner/Silent Auction			\$2,000.00	\$15,000.00	-\$13,000.00
Brick Sales		\$35.00	\$210.00	\$35.00	\$175.00
CRUD Day			\$609.06	\$700.00	-\$90.94
Donations/Outside Income		\$532.75	\$1,082.00	\$500.00	\$582.00
Fundraisers			\$38.91	\$200.00	-\$161.09
Grocery Care Cards			\$17.07	\$50.00	-\$32.93
Membership Dues		\$120.00	\$1,965.00	\$1,800.00	\$165.00
Member Merchandise			\$404.35	\$100.00	\$304.35
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		\$687.75	\$9,751.28	\$32,875.00	-\$23,123.72
Total	\$7,175.96	\$16,927.24	\$16,927.24		
EXPENSES	Carry Over	June	YTD Expenses	Annual Budget	Over/Under Budget
9-1-1 Day			\$0.00	\$400.00	-\$400.00
Audit - Treasurer's Records		\$250.00	\$250.00	\$500.00	-\$250.00
Back the Blue Fundraiser		\$2,177.00	\$2,195.36	\$50.00	\$2,145.36
BBQ Silent Auction			\$0.00	\$8,250.00	-\$8,250.00
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			\$0.00	\$200.00	-\$200.00
Office Supplies		\$9.40	\$185.33	\$500.00	-\$314.67
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	\$172.02	\$200.00	-\$27.98
Social Events			\$0.00	\$400.00	-\$400.00
TCPAAA Convention			\$110.00	\$125.00	-\$15.00
Water by the Gallon			\$271.02	\$800.00	-\$528.98
Total Expenses		\$2,608.42	\$9,163.39	\$32,875.00	-\$23,711.61
Money Transferred to Savings			\$0.00		
Money Transferred from Savings			\$4,500.00		
Funds Available in Checking			\$12,263.85		
SAVINGS ACCOUNT					
Major Projects/Future Projects	\$16,341.61		\$16,341.61		
Interest from Savings Account		\$0.10	\$0.61		
Savings Deposit			\$0.00		
Savings Withdrawal			\$4,500.00		
Funds Available in Savings			\$11,842.22		
Total ECPAAA Funds			\$24,106.07		

Note: \$529.25 of Outside Donations is earmarked for RAD Equipment; the BBQ/Silent Auction funds includes a \$500 donation from a member.