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Euleless Citizens Police Academy Alumni Association Monthly Newsletter

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Ken Denne and Loren Johnson



Lou Baum and Jerry Goad



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
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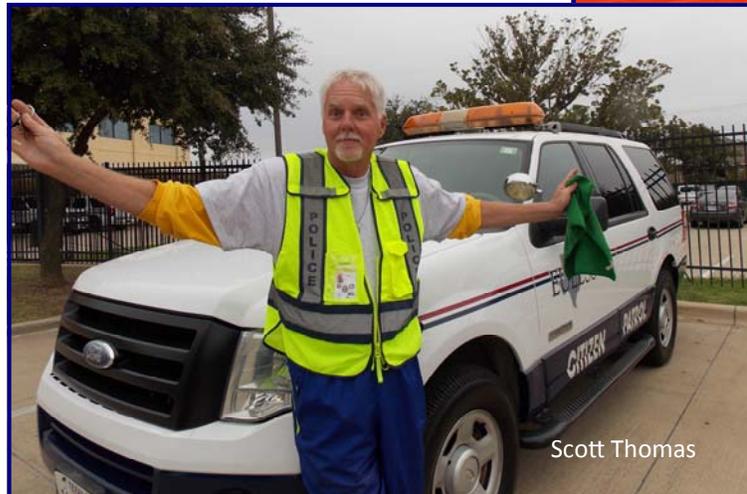
Submissions are due the first day of each month.



John Luna and Sandi Jones



Loretta Doty



Scott Thomas

**Euleless Police
Department
Open House
October 5th**

- 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>

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

It has been a very busy week around here. On Monday we said goodbye to Captain Steve Kockos! Steve served his community and the Euless Police Department for over 30 years. We hosted a luncheon for Steve and his family on Monday. The luncheon was well attended by members of the department and several of our previous retirees. As I have mentioned before, we will be hosting many more of these luncheons in the coming months! It's always a little sad to say goodbye to our friends, but we are always excited for what the future will bring their way!

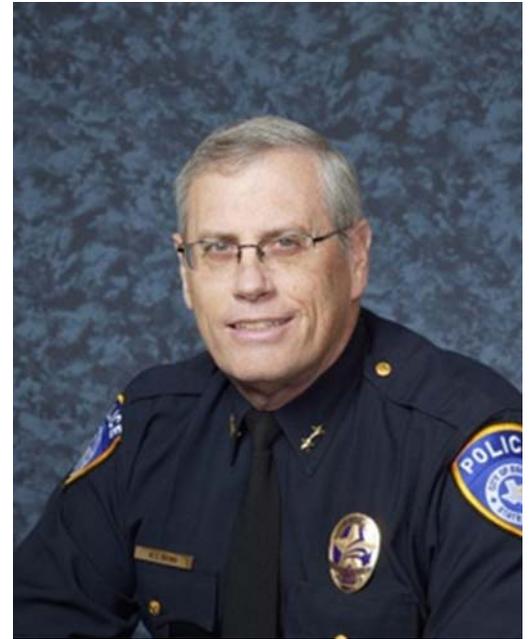
Tuesday night was National Night Out!! What a tremendous success that was!!!! Thanks to each of you who came out to help us get our crime prevention and awareness message out to the community! We had over 20 neighborhoods and about 1,000 people come out to help us make this one of the best National Night Out events ever! A huge thanks goes out to all of you who hosted a NNO event! I made 8 of them and was well fed at each stop! I didn't need to eat on Wednesday, but I did!!!! This was a great evening for our community and it would not have happened without your help and service. I don't want to fail to mention all the work that Tony, Chris and James put into this event! Our Neighborhood Police Officers are the greatest!

Friday we held our annual Retirees Luncheon. We had about 15 of our former officers return to have some hotdogs and burgers! We then took them to the gun range and got them through their qualification course. Now they are able to carry a concealed weapon as an Honorably Retired Police Officer without having to obtain a concealed handgun license. It is always great to visit with the men and women who built the foundation of the Euless Police Department. Our oldest returning Retiree was Retired Warrant Officer Elmer Boyd. Elmer told me he had just turned 86. Some of you might remember Elmer; I believe he made a presentation to the CPAAA at one of your meetings. Elmer was very involved in and was one of the lead investigators working the Kennedy assassination while he was a Dallas PD Homicide Investigator. I hope you all get the opportunity to meet him. His memory and his attention to detail are as great as ever. He can still tell about cases he worked in the 50's complete with the names and addresses of the suspects he arrested!

Saturday was open house at the PD! What a great day that was and we cooked 800 hotdogs and they were all gone by 1:30! I don't know how many people came through the PD on Saturday but there were a bunch! I know that the balloon lady, James Patterson's wife, worked for 4 straight hours making balloon animals, balloon hats, and balloon swords! If it could be made out of a balloon she did it! There was also an army of other volunteers there to make this a special day for the community. The Law Enforcement class at Trinity and Bell High Schools were there in force to help Tony set up, display and take down the event. Those young men and women did an outstanding job of representing their program and the Euless Police Department. I was very impressed with them and their work ethic. They didn't complain, they just rolled up their sleeves and went to work. The CPAAA was there, as always, we could not do what we do without you! Thanks for all you do for us!

As I said it was a busy week, but we had a busy month in September as well but don't have any room left to talk about! We are off to a fast start to October! Please stop by to see us, I hope we get a chance to catch our breath in the next week or so. Again, from the first event to the last, we couldn't do what we do without you! Thanks for all you do for us and this community! It's an honor to serve with each of you!

Your Servant,
Mike



From the President — Loretta Doty

There is a lot going on this month with the opportunity for you to participate. We had the National Night Out events on October 1st and all six city districts were represented with block parties: 1 in District One, 2 in Districts Two and Four, 4 in District Three, 6 in Districts Five and Six. It was a good venue to share information about ECPAAA, RAD, and services provided by the police department. Those that hosted block parties had a good time as did all that attended.

This past Saturday, October 5th we helped the police department host Open House. This was another opportunity to share information about our association, the COP program, the Sky Tower, RAD, and meet fellow citizens. I hope you have a chance to get by the station, look around, visit with fellow alumni, and visit with our police officers and visiting citizens. Thanks to the ECPAAA members that volunteered for Open House.

Saturday, October 12th is CRUD Day. Don't forget to gather your electronic and hazardous materials for recycling and bring them by the library for disposal. You could ask your neighbors if they have any items and combine those with yours. Combining recycle items to one vehicle will not only help shorten the line of participants but save the city money. The city is charged per car to recycle and if you can bring your neighbors light bulbs or batteries along with your recycle item, you will be providing the city an extra service other than volunteering your time.

The police softball team finished their season last week. Hopefully next year we'll know when they begin their games and we can go cheer them on from the beginning of the season rather than starting our cheering at seasons end.

Hope you all have an interesting Halloween and can take time from your busy schedules to enjoy this lovely weather. See you at the next meeting, Tuesday, October 15th.



2014 Tentative ECPAAA Board Candidates

President

John Luna

1st Vice President

Lou Baum

2nd Vice President

Jerry Goad

Peggy Vandiver

Secretary

Rose-Marie Stevens

Treasurer

Leah Benoit

Happy 
Halloween



EPD Liaison — Senior Corporal Tony Burnett

Hello Alumni Members from the Neighborhood Patrol Office of James Gordon, Chris White and myself. I am happy to report that National Night Out 2013 was a huge success. Everyone appeared to be happy with the turnout at their event and the services they were receiving from their Police Department. These events can be a good report card on how the Police Department is doing as a whole. There have been years that I returned to the Police Department afterwards feeling like I got "chewed out". For many years we have received good citizen feedback and participation at our NNO events. This is testimony to the efforts of our officers and the relationship with the public that we serve. Our Alumni plays a big role in that success.



Looking at the horizon we can see many changes coming to this Department over the next year. Most of these changes occur because of retirements and re-organization of responsibilities. One thing that will not change is our relationship with the community that we serve, it is the most valuable asset we have. I'm proud to be in an office where we make this our mission everyday with a variety of programs.

Recently I was given the responsibility to oversee the School Resource Officers. Senior Officer Wormley at Eules Jr. High, Corporal Valladares at Central Junior High, Corporal Swindell at KEYS and Corporal Axton at Trinity High School. These officers have a tremendous responsibility in keeping our schools and children safe. The bonds that these officers make with the students changes opinions about police in general and provides a much needed role model to many of them. You may see them in our office from time to time or helping at summer camp. Chris White and James Gordon have a busy October with Open House and numerous requests for our presence in the fall. They continue to be successful despite my leadership!

I will be at the October meeting - See you then!

October Menu

Subs

Chips

Drinks

Feel free to bring a dessert!

September Volunteer Hours Comparison By Lou Baum

Month	Year-to-Date
2013 – 1,029 Hours	2013 – 4,594 Hours
2012 – 370 Hours	2012 – 5,442 Hours
	15% Decrease

Note: Month total not actual hours worked. A lot of these monthly hours are catching up on hours not posted early in the year.

Thanks for all the time and effort given to this organization. We still have time to do some serious catching up before the end of the year.

September 2013 Volunteer Hours

- CID Clerical – 27 Hours 0 Minutes
- Citizens On Patrol – 68 Hours 45 Minutes
Includes the following:
 - COP Car – 57 Hours 45 Minutes
 - COP Sky Tower – 11 Hours 0 Minutes
 Number of Handicap Citations Issued – 5
- Courts – 35 Hours 15 Minutes
- Crime Victims Assistance Program – 12 Hour 30 Minutes
- Eules Radio Club – 27 Hours 0 Minutes
- Jail – 11 Hours 30 Minutes
- Meetings – 115 Hours 45 Minutes
Includes the following:
 - ECPAAA Meeting – 57 Hours 0 Minutes
- Miscellaneous – 82 Hours 45 Minutes
- Speed Trailer – 0 Hours 0 Minutes
- Training – 0 Hours 0 Minutes
- Vehicle Maintenance – 642 Hours 0 Minutes (catching up time from January through September)
- Watering of Plants – 7 Hours 0 Minutes

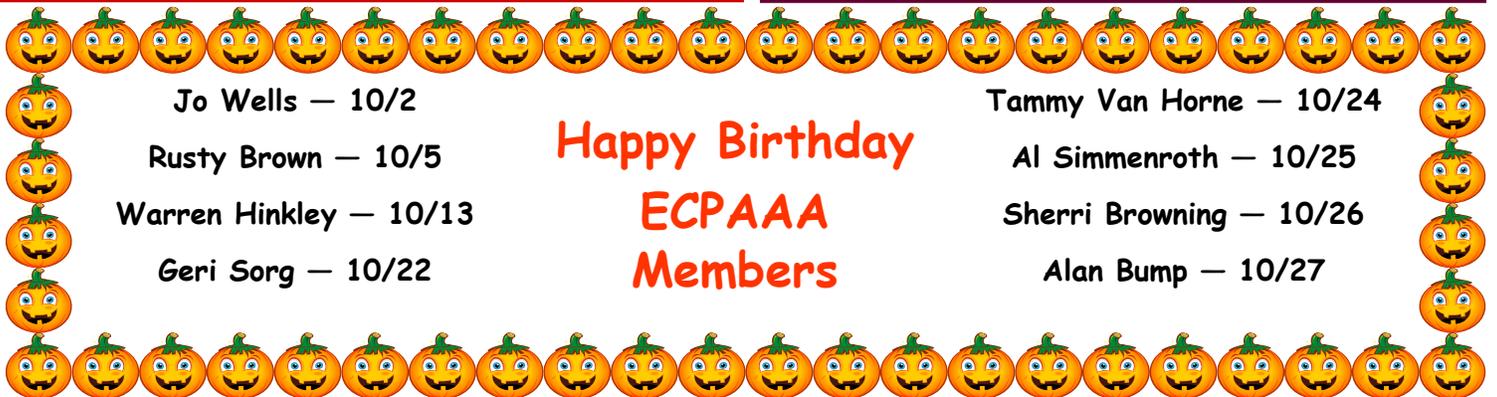
Grand Total – 1,029 Hours 30 Minutes

September National Value of Volunteer Time – \$10,328.31
2013 National Value of Volunteer Time – \$101,698.98

September Meeting – 26 Alumni Members Present

Upcoming Events

- Oct 9 – Amateur Radio Eules, 7:00 pm, Eules Police Department Emergency Operations Center
- Oct 12 – Hazardous Material Collection Day (CRUD), 9:00–11:00 am, Eules Municipal Complex, 201 N. Ector Drive
- Oct 15 – ECPAAA Board Meeting, 6:15 pm; General Meeting, 7:00 pm, Eules Police Department
- Oct 21–Nov 1 – Early Voting, Eules Public Library, 201 N. Ector Drive, see <http://www.eulesstx.gov/calendar> for times
- Oct 22 – City Council Meeting, 7:00 pm, City Hall, 201 N. Ector Drive
- Oct 26 – Drug Take Back (disposal of unwanted medication), 10:00 am–2:00 pm, Eules Police Department, 1102 W. Eules Blvd.
- Oct 31 – Halloween Trunk or Treat, 5:30–8:00 pm, Eules Family Life Center, 301 W. Midway Drive
- Nov 2 – CPAANT Regional Meeting, 10:00 am–12:00 noon, Flower Mound (location & directions can be found on www.cpaant.org)
- Nov 2–Kenny Marchant’s Veterans Fair, 10:00 am–1:00 pm, Grapevine Faith Christian High School, 729 Dallas Road, Grapevine, TX 76051
- Nov 12 – City Council Meeting, 7:00 pm, City Hall, 201 N. Ector Drive
- Nov 13 – Amateur Radio Eules, 7:00 pm, Eules Police Department Emergency Operations Center
- Nov 19 – ECPAAA Board Meeting, 6:15 pm; General Meeting, 7:00 pm, Eules Police Department



Jo Wells – 10/2

Rusty Brown – 10/5

Warren Hinkley – 10/13

Geri Sorg – 10/22

**Happy Birthday
ECPAAA
Members**

Tammy Van Horne – 10/24

Al Simmenroth – 10/25

Sherri Browning – 10/26

Alan Bump – 10/27

ALUMNI CORNER



Spotlight on Minuet Balkon

by Rosemarie Stevens



Minuet was born in Arlington, Texas, and moved to Euless with her family nearly eight years ago. Like her sister, Melody, she was home schooled since she reached the age of five. Part of that home schooling must have included developing a desire to be of service to others as she actively takes advantage of many opportunities to assist at the police station. Her favorite service activity was entering warrants in the NCIC database for the Courts.

Her favorite hobbies are cooking, baking and reading. I understand that her baked goods are superb. In fact, she hopes to have her own bakery one day. She also likes to read, and her favorite authors are Jane Austen and William Shakespeare. She likes watching movies, but her favorites include movie versions of Jane Austen books.

She described her most interesting life experiences as those involving her ability to take mission trips with her church. So far she has been able to go to New York, San Francisco and New Orleans.

When asked about the CPA class she attended, she indicated that she most enjoyed the presentation given by the CSI officer. She liked learning about how all the details that are gathered are used to solve crimes.

Minuet also shared the fact that she was a member of the Texas Girls' Choir for four years, from 2000 – 2004. She received her AWANA Citation in March 2011. To win this award, Minuet was required to complete 10 handbooks from third to twelfth grade and to read the entire Bible during her three years of high school.

Both of Bill and Jerri Balkon's daughters are beautiful human beings. Hope you take advantage of any opportunity to get to know them.



**EULESS CITIZENS POLICE ACADEMY ALUMNI ASSOCIATION
GENERAL MEETING MINUTES
September 17, 2013**

Meeting Called to Order at 7:00 PM

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Jerri Balkon, Melody Balkon, Minuet Balkon, Lou Baum, Leah Benoit, Brenda Brown, Rusty Brown, Loretta Doty, Stacy Foust, Jerry Goad, Marian Goethe, Doris Hammond, Loren Johnson, Jerrie Keller, John Luna, Anniece McKanna, Dana Nuber, Jean Nuber, Betty Overstreet, Judy Rick, Loretta Santos, Barney Snitz, Geri Sorg, Faye Stinneford, Peggy Vandiver and Helen Voss

SPEAKER: Deena Graves, Executive Director of Traffick911 spoke on domestic minor sex trafficking.

OLD BUSINESS:

August Minutes: Lou Baum made a motion to accept the August meeting minutes. Peggy Vandiver seconded the motion. Minutes approved.

August Treasurer's Report: Peggy Vandiver made a motion to accept the August Treasurer's Report. Geri Sorg seconded the motion. Report approved.

Leah Benoit advised of auction this year being cancelled and that we will be holding the event every other year. We will check calendar to make sure no conflict for scheduling. Will get with donors to see if they want items back or will roll to next year.

NEW BUSINESS:

Oct 1— National Night Out

Oct 2 — Child Safety Seat in Bedford at Campus West 10am-2PM

Oct 5 — Open House at Police Department

Oct 12 — Crud Day

Oct 26 — Drug Take back at Police Department 10am-2PM

Oct 7 — Homecoming Parade

Dec 7 — Christmas Parade

RAD Class — Oct 9, 16, 23 and 30 - need 12 to have class only have 5

Loretta asked for volunteers to be on the nominating committee to call people for new election. Jerri Balkon, Melody Balkon and Minuet Balkon volunteered.

Betty Overstreet gave update on the gift to the dispatchers; they were given a \$15.00 gift card to Target and a bag of candy. Budget was \$250.00 cost was \$55.00 under so on budget.

For the Christmas Parade the Citizens on Patrol Car has to be entered to be driven. It was suggested that Police Alumni wear their shirts and walk with the car this year. Geri Sorg made motion to enter car. Faye Stinneford seconded the motion. Motion was approved.

Jerry Goad advised will have a pocket hose to auction off at next meeting.

Motion to Adjourn: Peggy Vandiver made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Geri Sorg seconded the motion. Motion approved and meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

September 2013 Treasurer's Report

INCOME	Carry Over	September	YTD Income	Annual Budget	Over/Under Budget
12/31/12 Balance in Checking	\$30,729.67				
Afghan Fundraiser			\$30.00	\$35.00	-\$5.00
BBQ Dinner/Silent Auction		\$1,080.00	\$4,515.00	\$10,000.00	-\$5,485.00
Brick Sales			\$35.00	\$150.00	-\$115.00
CRUD Day			\$563.89	\$700.00	-\$136.11
Donations/Outside Income			\$1,020.00	\$500.00	\$520.00
Grocery Care Cards			\$32.10	\$50.00	-\$17.90
Membership Dues			\$1,740.00	\$1,600.00	\$140.00
Member Merchandise			\$167.00	\$100.00	\$67.00
Recycle Program (Cans & Cartridges)			\$171.23	\$250.00	-\$78.77
Recycle Program (Electronics)			\$0.00	\$50.00	-\$50.00
Fundraisers			\$771.00	\$250.00	\$521.00
Warrant Roundup			\$843.13	\$850.00	-\$6.87
Funds Used to Cover Major Projects			\$0.00	\$3,390.00	-\$3,390.00
Total Income		\$1,080.00	\$9,888.35	\$17,925.00	-\$8,036.65
Total	\$30,729.67	\$40,618.02	\$40,618.02		
EXPENSES	Carry Over	September	YTD Expenses	Annual Budget	Over/Under Budget
9-1-1 Day			\$210.00	\$250.00	-\$40.00
Audit - Treasurer's Records			\$0.00	\$500.00	-\$500.00
BBQ Silent Auction		\$250.00	\$702.21	\$5,000.00	-\$4,297.79
Bricks			\$524.00	\$524.00	\$0.00
Checking Account Expenses			\$23.95	\$100.00	-\$76.05
CPANNT Dues			\$25.00	\$25.00	\$0.00
Fundraisers			\$607.73	\$1,000.00	-\$392.27
Expenses Not Categorized			\$3,000.00	\$3,250.00	-\$250.00
Honorarium Awards and Gifts			\$38.90	\$100.00	-\$61.10
Member Merchandise Items			\$0.00	\$300.00	-\$300.00
Memorials and Gifts			\$0.00	\$300.00	-\$300.00
Office Supplies			\$572.50	\$300.00	\$272.50
PALS Summer Camp			\$1,129.80	\$1,000.00	\$129.80
Police Appreciation Week			\$393.27	\$400.00	-\$6.73
Police Chief Wish Projects		\$7,342.00	\$14,137.00	\$8,620.00	\$5,517.00
Police Honor Guard			\$3,747.36	\$3,750.00	-\$2.64
Police Officer Christmas Meals			\$0.00	\$300.00	-\$300.00
Postage/Envelopes for Newsletters			\$0.00	\$200.00	-\$200.00
President Awards			\$126.27	\$150.00	-\$23.73
Social Events			\$0.00	\$300.00	-\$300.00
Water by the Gallon			\$476.00	\$650.00	-\$174.00
Total Expenses		\$7,592.00	\$25,713.99	\$27,019.00	-\$1,305.01
Money Transferred to Savings			\$21,250.87		
Money Transferred from Savings		\$7,000.00	\$12,000.00		
Funds Available in Checking			\$5,653.16		
SAVINGS ACCOUNT					
Major Projects/Future Projects	\$10,065.48		\$10,065.48		
Interest from Savings Account		\$0.80	\$9.41		
Savings Deposit			\$21,250.87		
Savings Withdrawal		\$7,000.00	\$12,000.00		
Funds Available in Savings			\$19,325.76		
Total ECPAAA Funds			\$24,978.92		

\$500 in office supplies
Covered by \$500 donation
for computer