

# Region One Texas CPAAA Newsletter



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# July 27-29 State Convention: San Marcos

At 8 am on Monday, July 28, the opening ceremonies of the 22nd annual TCPAA Convention and Law **Enforcement Training** will begin for over 200 attendees from throughout the state. During the past three months, this newsletter has highlighted some of the presentations you will experience while you are there. Registration check-in will begin at 1 pm on Sunday followed by an ice-breaker at 6 pm. The exhibit hall will also open at 2 pm. A couple of

## Police Officer Stress in High Profile Homicide Investigations

#### 1991 Austin Yogurt Shop Murders

The 1991 Austin yogurt shop murders refers to the deaths of four teenage girls in a yogurt shop in Austin, Texas on December 6, 1991, after which the shop was set aflame. The bodies of the four teenage girls were discovered after the fire was extinguished.

The initial investigation spanned nearly eight years. Two men initially confessed to the murders and were convicted, but were released in 2009, due to lack of evidence. During this presentation we will review the case from the perspective of one of its lead detectives.

presentations are also shown on this page. Visit the convention website at http://tcpaaconvention.org for the most recent schedule of classes and even a layout of the hotel. When you check-in you will be given the latest schedule along with the room location of each class. Note that, except for the high interest presentations, there will be as many as 5 simultaneous classes with many of them



repeated to allow you to make your agenda. Can't schedule all you want to hear? Just clone yourself, or better yet, bring someone else along to help you cover them. By the time you read this, the late fee will have kicked in, so don't forget to include it if you register late.

#### Meeting Schedule for 2014

January 11 -- Angleton
February 8 -- Galveston
March 8 -- Pearland
April 12 -- Dickinson
May 10 -- Webster
Jun 14--Beaumont Tri-Agency
July -- No Meeting

July 27-29 – State Convention

August 9 -- La Porte September 13 -- Montgomery Co October 11 -- League City November 8 -- Texas City December -- No meeting

#### 2015

January 10 -- Angleton February 14 --March 14 --April 11 -- Dickinson May 9 – Deer Park June 13 --July 11--

Aug 2-4 – State Convention
August 8 – No Meeting
September 12 -- Montgomery Co
October 10 -- League City
November 14 -- Texas City
December 12 -- No meeting

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# June Meeting Highlights

June 14, 2014

The June Region One meeting was held at the Beaumont Police Dept, and was hosted by the Tri-Agency CPAAA. "Tri-Agency" is Beaumont, Port Arthur & Jefferson County areas.

Once again, as in May, we were given two programs to further our knowledge. We had several from the US Coast Guard presenting their varied missions out on the waters and in the waterways of the coast.

The second program was a continuation, or sequel, to the May meeting's presentation by Ken DeFoor from Texas EquuSearch. At the June meeting Ken's topic was drones, or Unmanned Aircraft. We saw a video on the topic, and learned something about the maker of these, who is Gene Robinson, RP Flight Systems. As a side note, Gene will be providing a presentation at the state convention in San Marcos at the end of July. The drone is called the Spectra Flying Wing. We had a summary of that upcoming San Marcos presentation on page 11 of the April edition of *The Flash*. It will be one not to miss when you attend. The session will be on July 28 with one in the morning at 9:30 am and then repeated at 3 pm. Covered will be some of the search cases, the current legal situation with drones, and the future of aerial robots for public service agencies.

Web Links of sites relevant to items in this newsletter:

- All Region One Newsletters (new link): http://tcpaaconvention.org/TCPAAA/r1newsletters.html
- 2014 State Convention: <a href="http://tcpaaconvention.org">http://tcpaaconvention.org</a>
   and the Facebook page:
   <a href="https://facebook.com/pages/2014-tcpaa-convention/406078959537901">https://facebook.com/pages/2014-tcpaa-convention/406078959537901</a>
- 2014 Delegates Meeting Agenda: <a href="http://tcpaaconvention.org/meeting/2014DelegatesAgenda.pdf">http://tcpaaconvention.org/meeting/2014DelegatesAgenda.pdf</a>
- 2015 State Convention: http://tcpaaconvention.org/2015
- Honor Flight Houston: <a href="http://honorflighthouston.org">http://honorflighthouston.org</a>
- IRS Instructions for 1023-EZ: http://www.irs.gov/pub/irs-pdf/i1023ez.pdf
- The TCPAAA state site: http://TexasCPAAA.org
- And of course, the Region One page: http://TexasCPAAA.org/Region1

#### 2014 Region One Members

Associations -13	Individuals -10
Angleton	Suzanne Kelly
Deer Park	Nancy Crowe
La Marque	Billy Boehike
Galveston County	Deb Smith
Sheriff	Jeanne Canales
City of Galveston	Robert Milke
Texas City	Amelia Collins
Pearland	Susan Ernst
Liberty County	Larry Stegent
Webster	Lillian Jalliffe
Richmond	
Sugarland	List from
Tri Agency	Treasurer Report
La Porte	as of April 30.

#### 2014 Region One Officer Roster

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Successful people never stop learning. They go to conferences and seminars, talk to experts, keep an eye on the Internet—but mostly they read voraciously. Books, articles, and journals (print or online) are the basic building blocks of knowledge, so learning to read and comprehend material effectively is a crucial success strategy. To get more from each word, read this advice:

- **Define your purpose.** Before opening a book or clicking on an article link, think about what you expect to learn from it. This will help you quickly determine whether the work is worth your time as you're reading.
- Set some goals. Decide how many pages you want to read in one sitting, or how much time you want to devote to the piece. Short bursts are usually best.
- **Read when you're alert.** Try to schedule your reading early in the day, when you're rested and alert.
- Monitor your comprehension. Every once in a while, stop and think about what you've just read.

How much do you remember?

How much do you understand?

If you're having trouble answering either question, you may need to take a break or find something that holds your attention better.

(Excerpt from Ragan Communications)

Never stop learning. Hope to see you in San Marcos.

You may know that the Declaration of Independence wasn't actually signed by delegates from all 13 colonies until August 2, 1776. But did you know these other interesting facts about our nation's founding documents? They come from the U.S. National Archives and Records Administration website:

- The original Declaration wasn't written on ordinary paper, but engrossed (a process of preparing an official document in a large, clear hand) on parchment—an animal skin that's stretched and treated with lime to create a strong, enduring document.
- The copy on display in the National Archives in Washington, D.C., is one of 26 'Dunlap Broadsides,' printed on paper on the night of July 4, 1776. Twenty-one are owned by American institutions, two are held by British institutions, and three are in the possession of private owners.
- On the bottom left corner of the original Declaration is a handprint whose origins are unknown. Attempts to clean the handprint would damage the document. Also, the back of the signed Declaration bears the words 'Original Declaration of Independence, dated 4th July 1776,' upside down at the bottom of the page.

Make it Fun, Make it Better, Make it happen!

# Need to file for 501(c)(3)? EZ now, but no discount

The new form is 3 pages, but the instructions are 20 pages, and are found here: <a href="http://www.irs.gov/pub/irs-pdf/i1023ez.pdf">http://www.irs.gov/pub/irs-pdf/i1023ez.pdf</a>

EO Update: e-News for Charities & Nonprofits July 1, 2014

Issue Number: 2014-11



# 1. New 1023-EZ Form Makes Applying to be Tax-Exempt Easier; Most Charities Qualify

The Internal Revenue Service today introduced a new, shorter application form, Form 1023-EZ, to help small charities apply for 501(c)(3) tax-exempt status more easily. Most organizations with annual gross receipts of \$50,000 or less and assets of \$250,000 or less are eligible. See news release for details.

The change will allow the IRS to speed the approval process for smaller groups and free up resources to review applications from larger, more complex organizations while reducing the application backlog.

The new 1023-EZ form must be filed on www.pay.gov, accompanied by a \$400 user fee. The instructions include an eligibility checklist that organizations must complete before filing the form.

(Currently, the IRS has more than 60,000 501(c)(3) applications in its backlog, with many of them pending for nine months.)

Events Calendar	Event	CPAAA REGION
Monday, July 7, 2014	Deadline for State Officer Nominations to the Nominating Committee.	
Sunday - Tuesday, July 27- 29, 2014	State Convention; San Marcos  "Teaming Up With Law Enforcement Visit http://tcpaaconvention.org for information	,99
Saturday, August 9, 2014	9:00*am Region One Meeting; La Porte  * Members should arrive by 9:00 for breakfast and networking	

# 2014 Delegates Meeting Agenda

## 2014 TEXAS CITIZEN POLICE ALUMNI AND LAW ENFORCEMENT ANNUAL TRAINING TCPAAA Delegates Meeting Agenda July 28, 2014

- Call to Order President Dave Miller
- ❖ Roll Call Delegates Secretary Dottie Duby
- Introduction of the current TCPAAA Board
- Treasurers Report –Treasurer Stan Appleton
- Minutes 2013 Delegates Meeting Secretary Dottie Duby
- Elections of TCPAAA Board Positions 2nd Vice President Terry Williams

President 1st Vice President 3rd Vice President Secretary

- ❖ By Law Changes 2<sup>nd</sup> VP Terry Williams
- Site Selection for Convention 2016 & 2017 (Convention Bid) 4th VP Dorris Murdock
- Committee Reports:

Membership, Communications, & Sponsorship – 1<sup>st</sup> VP Becky Giles By Laws & Standing Rules & Nomination Committee - 2<sup>nd</sup> VP Terry Williams

- ❖ Web Master Leo Waltz
- Public Relations Jean Sargent
- ❖ Region One Billy Boehlke & Officer Jeff Tippit
- Region Two Vacant
- Region Three Marcie Davis & Captain JD Davis
- Region Four Dale Baugh & Detective Mike Baranyay (Convention 2015)
- ❖ Region Five Vacant
- Region Six Cheryl Daubs & S/O Denise Pace
- Direction of the TCPAAA President Dave Miller
- Old Business
- New Business
- General Discussion Open to the Floor
- Motion to Adjourn

\*\*Election Ballots will be tallied by the host city San Marcos, TX
\*\*\*Final results will be announced at the Banquet on Tuesday evening (July 29, 2014)

# Honor Flight Honors Calvin Walker

We all know Calvin Walker, who is an active member of more than one CPAAA, as well as past president, in Region One. He was just honored to be one of the WWII veterans that were on the

most recent trip to Washington, D.C. As part of the Honor Flight Network, the Honor Flight Houston (HFH) serves Harris, Montgomery, Liberty, Chambers, Galveston, Brazoria, Fort Bend and Waller counties. HFH transports our heroes from Houston, Texas to Washington, D.C. to visit and reflect at their memorials.

In an email message from Vince Wilson, who was assigned as Calvin's guardian while in Washington, he states, "My veteran is truly a National Treasure. We bonded instantly and I enjoyed every story he shared with me throughout the day. When we were on the bus that transported us from Memorial to Memorial, he would share photos of his family and friends that play a very important role in his life. As we were browsing through the pictures, who should appear in one of those pictures but my very dear friend, Amelia Collins, from Galveston, Texas."

More about the HFH program from their website at http://honorflighthouston.org :

Mission Statement: Transport America's veterans to Washington, D.C. to visit those memorials dedicated to honor their service and sacrifices.



Vince Wilson was assigned as "guardian" for Calvin Walker during the WWII Veteran Honor Flight from Houston in June. Shown here at the WWII Memorial.

Goal: Helping every single veteran in America, willing and able of getting on a plane or a bus, visit THEIR memorial.

Priority: Top priority is given to America's most senior heroes — survivors of World War II and any veteran with a terminal illness who wishes to visit THEIR memorial. The program will naturally transition to Korean War, Vietnam War and all other veterans who served, on a chronological basis.

Philosophy: Since America felt it was important to build a memorial to the service and the ultimate sacrifice of her veterans, the Honor Flight Network believes it's equally important that they actually get to visit and experience THEIR memorial.

Motto: "We can't all be heroes. Some of us have to stand on the curb and clap as they go by." - Will Rogers



# **Texas City Citizens Police Academy Alumni Association**

Submitted by Faye Leonhardt - Vice President

#### **JUNE 2014 UPDATE**

15 TCCPAAA Volunteers assisted with the Juneteenth Parade held in Texas City on June 14th.

We collected funds to help with a TCPD officer that has an off-duty medical issue. Becky Hoke, Chairman of the Board presented Chief Burby with the check.

We are looking forward to the July 4th parade and celebrations, and would like to wish all the other Region One Associations a Happy & Safe Independence Day Holiday.

Faye Leonhardt TCCPAAA Vice President



Volunteers don't get paid, not because they're worthless, but because they're priceless.

~ Sherry Anderson





## **Liberty County Citizen Police Academy Alumni Association**

Submitted by Faye Cutsinger

Liberty County Citizen Police Academy Alumni Association participated in the Child Abduction ResponseTeam (CART) training hosted by Katy Police Dept. on June 26th (commenced at 7:00am). We saw familiar faces from Region 1. This training/scenario brought seasoned investigators, prosecutors, search-and-rescue volunteers and victims' advocates together to work a child abduction case. We participated as actors, witnesses, persons of interest, etc. We were given information to relay to the investigators, and also information we could only reveal if specifically asked. Since this is the first time for participants, some of the questions did not get asked and was only revealed at the debriefing. After the full day training we participated in the debriefing, giving our suggestions and what we felt worked/didn't work. The CART people and law enforcement thanked us and said they appreciated our assistance as they only allow participation from organizations that perform criminal background checks on their members. This brings home how important this requirement is to our Alumni Academy.

The vehicles obtained by Liberty County Sheriff's office are being made ready so that after training our LCCPAAA will be mobile and can participate as Citizens on Patrol. We are in the final stages of implementing our Warrant Roundup and will commence shortly. LCCPAAA are making plans for their first fund raiser that will allow LCCPAAA to perform necessary duties.

#### **Dickinson Citizens Police Academy Alumni Association**

#### DCPAAA adds members and programs in 2014!

With 2014 only about half over, the Dickinson DCPAAA has set its sights on having truly banner year. The 24<sup>th</sup> Dickinson Citizens Police Academy graduated on 05/29/2014 and promptly increased the DCPAAA membership with six new members. This highly active organization has expanded to over 60 members.

With new members came new programs. The Citizens On Patrol expanded its options by adding a "Warning" activity that allows members, at their discretion, to 'tag' vehicles found illegally parked in a Handicap Zone, in Fire Lanes, and to notify residents of potential issues like



'open garage doors', car doors unlocked with packages left in plain view. In addition, members have been trained in the use of the LoJack system which is used to locate stolen vehicles and equipment and now adds another dimension to the ability of the Dickinson Police Department to better serve the community.

In the near future, the COP's program will also be trained in the use of the departments Rapid License Reader and the protocols necessary to assist patrol officers in locating stolen vehicles and people with outstanding warrants while still adhering to their mantra: "Observe, Report and remove yourself from danger!" Chief Morales has also hinted that the DCPAAA duties may grow even larger but refuses to say exactly how at this time; however, with the addition of a Marine Division to the department, speculations are high.

#### **Dickinson Police Department Kicks off Summer Student Police Academy**

Sixteen students from the Dickinson School District and surrounding private schools will be participating in the Dickinson Student Police Academy (DSPA) this summer. The program is going on its ninth year. The program is geared to show students areas in law enforcement. They have classes in crime scene processing, police ethics and firearms. Students go to the gun range where, in addition to actually firing a handgun, they are taught the basics of firearm safety. The program also has inner workings like teaching them to be accountable for their choices, teamwork and leadership. The program is eight weeks long through the summer and, upon successful completion, the students will graduate and become an honorary members of our Dickinson Citizens Police Academy Alumni Association (DCPAAA). The Dickinson Police Department is proud to be able to support our students and help them become successful citizens of our community.

(See photo next page.)

L to R: DSPA Students William Morrow, Logan Strom, Caleb Melendez, Chasity Arredondo, Armando Alaniz, Kaylea Joseph, Nicholas Zamora, Leslie Hernandez, Hayden Spaulding, Officer Tony Valdez, Tanner Grounds, Evelyn Roman, Devin John, Zoey Price, Jamerica Martin, Faith Blevins and Cameron Blair



#### Galveston County Citizen Sheriff's Academy Alumni Association 2014 Gun Raffle Winners

The Galveston County Citizen Sheriff's Academy Alumni Association recently held a gun raffle as a fund raiser for the organization. The guns were purchased through Andy Ramirez owner of *Republic of Texas Firearms*. At the GCCSAAA May meeting, Sheriff Henry Trochesset drew the three winning tickets. Greg Tate was the winner of the Mossberg MMR Tactical weapon, Linda Smith was the winner of the Smith & Wesson M&P 15 Sport and Dennis Macik was the winner of the Glock Model 27 handgun. After the holders of the winning tickets were contacted by the GCCSAAA Vice-President Norman Franzke, Andy Ramirez made arrangements to transfer the guns to Pete Steele, *San Leon Tactical Arms*. Pete was instrumental in completing the required paper work, performing the back-ground checks and presenting the guns to the lucky winners.

The GCCSAAA would like to thank everyone who participated in buying a ticket and to all of the members who helped by selling tickets for a very successful fundraiser. We wish to recognize one of our own members, Norm Soucy of San Leon, for selling over 220 raffle tickets. He did an outstanding job.

Submitted by Norman Franzke

### Harris County Sheriff's Office CPAAA District Two

Submitted by Phil Niewald, Parliamentarian, HCSOCPAAA-District Two

HCSOCPAAA (aka The Crockpot Crew) hosted the June 7th NO REFUSAL night for the officers and deputies that brought their DWI suspect to INTOX located at HPD-Riesner.

They are from left to right: David Jackson, Phil Niewald, SunShine Jackson, Kathy Green,

Orlando Mendieta, Lynn Scott, Charlotte Cross and Paul Brown.

A NO REFUSAL is when a person that is suspect to be under the influence of impairing motor skills cannot refuse give a specimen either breath or blood.



Officers getting ready to roll for the no refusal

#### **Summer Safety Tips**

- Be a safe swimmer. Water sports and fireworks are two of the biggest pastimes for Fourth of July celebrations, and these are both linked to numerous deaths and injuries each year. Never swim alone, and make sure that kids' water play is adequately supervised at all times.
- Use alcohol responsibly. Alcohol and fireworks can be a hazardous and dangerous combination. Also, have a designated driver to bring partygoers home from the festivities. Remember also that alcohol and swimming can be as dangerous as drinking and driving.
- Lakes, waterways, and seas will be crowded with boats. Review safe boating practices, and don't drink and drive your boat. Alcohol consumption while operating boats or other motorized water vessels is illegal, and you can be arrested for a BWI (boating under the influence!). Be sure that you have an adequate number of life preservers on hand for extra guests. Become familiar with the boating laws in your area.
- Cover food and beverages outdoors to discourage bees and wasps from attending your party. If someone is allergic to insect stings, you should have an emergency anaphylaxis kit on hand.
- Apply sunscreen both before and during an outdoor party.
   Ultraviolet rays from the sun can cause both premature aging and

- skin cancer in the long term, and a painful burn the next day. Even those with darker skin should use a sunscreen with a minimum sun protection factor (SPF) of 15, according to recommendations from the American Academy of Dermatology.
- Check prescription medications you are taking to assure you will not have a sun-sensitizing drug reaction to the Medication.
- Spend adequate time indoors or in the shade and drink plenty of fluids to avoid heat illness in extremely hot climates. The risk of heat illness is increased when participating in strenuous activity or sports, and those with chronic medical conditions and the elderly are also at an increased risk of heat exhaustion and/or heat stroke. Alcohol consumption can also promote dehydration and increase the risk.
- Keep children away from campfires and grills. Gas leaks, blocked tubes, and overfilled propane tanks can be a cause of grill fires and explosions.
- Don't leave the picnic spread out all day. Allowing food to sit in outdoor temperatures can invite foodborne illness. The U.S. FDA suggests never leaving food out for more than one hour when the temperature is above 90F and not more than two hours at other times. Foods that need to be kept cold should be placed in a cooler with plenty of ice or freezing packs and held at a maximum temperature of 40 F.

# **Webster Citizen Police Academy Alumni Association**

Submitted by Larry Tosto - President

This past month the WCPAAA is setting up for our 4th of July Fund Raiser at the Webster City Texas Park Fireworks event. We will have a booth reserved and will be selling Pulled Pork sandwiches, Sausage on a stick, pickles, cookies, glow necklaces, soda and water. All volunteers are in place and all supplies have been purchased. We start selling at 5 pm and close down the booth right prior to the firework show at 9 pm. It's a long day and our volunteers all share in the work and put their heart into working and sharing good will with the residents of Webster and all others who show up for the event.

Our new Chief of Police Dan Presley has received all design requests for a new Webster Police Department Badge and Patch. The final selection has been made and all of the department members will have pride in knowing they shared in the design and selection. The chief has also

made it possible for the City of Liberty to purchase 5 of our

Police cars that were due for auction.



Photos show location of the new memorial garden at the front of the Webster Police Department at the foot of the flagpoles. We should see some growth of the flowers over the coming year.

Our chief has also worked with the city to set up a memorial garden for two of our past police chiefs. The garden is at the entrance to the Police Department. We have his full support in our WCPAAA activities and he appreciates all the volunteer work we perform at the Station.



## La Porte Citizens Police Academy Alumni Association

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MAY 20TH CPA CLASS - The first day of class was packed and students haven't completed nearly three weeks of class and they are already active volunteers! Thanks in part to our active President, Brenda Pritchard and other CPA members that make it a point to participate in all classes to encourage new students to join us in supporting our police department and the community.



Volunteer Doug Hathorn & PAR Officer Jeff Tippit

JUNE 21ST - JUNETEENTH PARADE - Residents show up early to get the best spots along the parade route, but not as early as our volunteers. All along the parade route numerous CPA Volunteers took their positions to redirect traffic and act as human GPS' for residents that only know one way to get Sylvan



C.O.P. Car: Emma & Josh Zech,& Shirley Rogers, Parade lead.

Beach or their home- and that way was blocked for the parade.

JUNE 14 & 21ST - YOUTH SUMMER CAMPS - Each summer the LPPD & City of La Porte offer safety camps to children ages 5-9 about stranger danger, internet safety, pedestrian and crosswalk safety, water safety, animal safety, gun safety and more. Parents get the day off as Volunteers are on hand to help register and guide the children throughout the day as they partake in the lessons. We wish to express our sincere appreciation to these volunteers. Although the kids are great, sometimes it isn't easy acting as a grandparent for eight hours for upwards of 10 children each! As much fun as it is and as many laughs as you shared, you each deserve a badge of honor!!



Councilman John Zemanek



Granddaughter hanging plague

JUNE 26TH - VOLUNTEER ROOM **DEDICATION** - Jeanne Zemanek gave of herself tirelessly, alongside her husband, for many years in La Porte but especially with our La Porte Citizens Police Academy Alumni Association! Jeanne's son. Councilman John Zemanek. reminded the large crowd dignitaries and guests of the special place Jeanne had in her heart for the City of La Porte as he shared many stories of her volunteering. In particular, the one where Jeanne shared that she "enjoyed riding and patrolling in the C.O.P. car but what she REALLY wanted to do was arrest someone!" We miss you Jeanne!



**Dedication Plaque** 

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JUNE 28TH - HARVEST IN HANDS FOOD DISTRIBUTION - Harvest in Hands is the City of La Porte's monthly food distribution program. The distribution is dependent on the delivery schedule of the Houston Food Bank. Fresh and dry foods are handed out to those in need at the Jennie Riley Center. The only thing required is an ID to register and pickup begins at 9am until all the food is handed out. CPA Volunteers show up early to help sort the foods and along with helping distribute, they also assist residents transport the food to their vehicles or nearby homes. On this particular day, volunteer Kim Guarino was busy filling bags for those in need



Kim Gaurino assists resident during distribution.

while Emma Zech, Josh Zech, and Shirley Rogers were behind the scenes sorting foods.

Continuous Projects: LeadsOnline, Dispatch Greeter, Victims Assistance, Citizens On Patrol Team, Parade Barricade Team, Wally Wise Shelter-in-Place, Blue Santa Program, ongoing LPPD project assistance, and more.

Follow us at <a href="https://www.lpcpaaa.org">www.lpcpaaa.org</a> and Facebook at LA PORTE CITIZENS POLICE ACADEMY ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

### **Angleton Citizen Police Academy Alumni Association**

Submitted by Dottie Duby.

Angleton CPAAA recently installed their 2014 Board members



L -R: Installing officer, APD Sgt. D. White, Norma De Weese, Eddie Salazar, Maria Salazar, Carol Albright and Officer Jerry Albright

#### **Houston Citizen Police Academy Alumni Association**

Andrea Schmauss 1st Vice President - HCPAAA

#### Police Week at the HPD Training Academy

Members of Houston CPAAA were active participants in Police Week activities. A dozen members assisted the Houston Police Department as they hosted Houston-area school

children who came out to the Training Academy for pre-scheduled tours and demonstrations. The children met with officers and took part in demonstrations from the Air Support, K-9 Unit, SWAT team, Dive Team, Training Division, and Community Services and Outreach Units.

Alumni volunteers included Adeline Whittmore, Gail Northern, Michael Neely, Yoandra Zavala, David Hernandez, Jennifer Hernandez, Yuemin Wang, Walt Frost, Alex Tiefenbrunn and Jeanette Einkauf.



Area school children made good use of the gazebo donated to the HPD Academy by the HCPAAA.



### **Galveston Citizen Police Academy Alumni Association**



Photo by Kristen Marchand

In the month of May police departments and alumni associations around the United States commemorated National Peace Officer Week/Day by having a memorial ceremony on the 15<sup>th</sup>. In Galveston, the police department (GPD) held an awards ceremony on the next day. Alumni attended and pitched in to help where needed. Eight officers received Life Saving Act awards, two officers recognized for Community Service, and four officers received Police Commendations. See names posted on <a href="mailto:galvestoncpaaa.com/awards.html">galvestoncpaaa.com/awards.html</a>. Galveston's Municipal Police Association (GMPA) took the lead for the memorial and set up another very successful blood drive and then a head shaving fund- raiser for Officer Lomax and Officer Sanderson.







Left is Sgt Aaron Ausmus, with two photos of Detective Stephen Brewer-CSI. And on the right is a photo of Sgt Ausmus

and Sgt Sims, all **going bald in support for Officers Lomax and Sanderson**. Later that week at the first budget meeting with our new Mayor Jim Yarbrough, most GPD personnel there had closely shaven shiny heads.

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Alumni serve food during blood drive.

Here's a look at the first Traffic Class for 20 of the alumni.





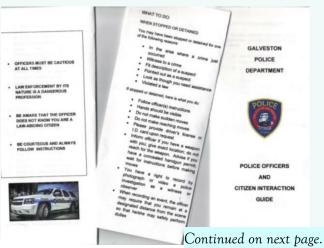




COP Driver Diverts Traffic at site of accident. FOR THE FIRST TIME the Police Department set up a TRAFFIC CLASS for our Alumni that was held two weeks ago. Everyone was asked to bring their own whistle. Steve Bentz put the drills right to work when an accident occurred at Broadway & 27<sup>th</sup> Street, in front of Moody Mansion. Steve diverted traffic while the 1<sup>St</sup> responders cleared the area. Luckily he had the training and his whistle.



Two more publications, TRAFFIC & WHAT TO DO: WHEN STOPPED OR DETAINED, etc., were created with help from the Alumni.





Congratulations, Michelle!

**Optimist** Club designates Michelle Sollenberger as Officer of the Year.

(She is pictured with Judge Schweitzer.)

# Monthly meetings.

FOR THE FIRST TIME in the last 3 years, we have our programs planned for more than 6 months out thanks to our Program Committee Chair, Rev. Roland Johnson. In May, Kelly de Shaun, Executive Director of Galveston Island Park Board of Trustees, explained the new Certified Tourism Ambassador (CTA) program and invited us to become certified.

**Recent speakers at Alumni** 

Then David Miller, President of Texas CPAAA, among other information he gave us some ideas about fundraising. especially races. Pearland CPAAA recently earned \$45,000 from a race they sponsored.



And here's FOR THE FIRST TIME IN AWHILE, there is a **CPAAA** Texas Ouarterly Newsletter, first one published this past March. [Photo: David Miller & Jean Sargent below; Kelly de Shaun on the left.]



At the June meeting, Shannon Guillot-Wright who spoke to us in January 2013, returned to update us about Human Trafficking laws, situations, and the documentary that she directed, "Hear Our Voice". Digital storytelling can be used to raise awareness of human trafficking. [Shannon's photo above.]

> July meeting: Trudy Dehun, Director of H.O.M.E., (Help Our Military Endure)

**August Meeting: Joe** Gallagher, Ham Radio Network

Alumni successfully got sponsors for the protocol gifts we gave visitors to GPD. There were six detectives from Poland and thirty-five Police Chiefs from the International Police Chiefs association. appreciate Galveston Island Park Board of Trustees. Walmart, Lieutenant Blender's Cocktails in a Bag, and our Alumnus, Betty Jo Dyda for the donations.

> submitted by Rita Cummings May & June 2014 Activity Report

# Information and Notices

#### Recent website changes

To alleviate a shortage in the available web server storage, some changes have been made. Newsletters, such as this one, have been moved to a public folder on Google Drive. This was done for the state and Region One newsletters. Region One has newsletters back to April 2005. The Region One web page has a link to an index page where all the editions are listed. There is a similar index page for the state. As a result of this migration, we have recovered about 6%, which puts us back into a safe amount of free space. Access to that cloud site has been tested from a number of locations, but there may be companies that block access to cloud sites in general. If further space is needed, some older documents will be migrated also.

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The Region One membership renewal form, located on the Region web page, has been updated with a new address to expedite processing.
The new address is c/o Barbara Cook, Treasurer 2208 Eriksson
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# Committees

#### **Committees**

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Future activities should be sent to Leo Waltz, at the following email address for the newsletter only:
Region1News@TexasCPAAA.org

#### Region One Email List (has 238 email addresses as of 6/30)

In February, we started an email list like the one used by the state, and this new list is for all CPAAA's, their members, liaison and coordinators, police dept personnel interested in Region One activities. A link to this newsletter will be emailed to those on the list; no newsletters will be sent as attachments because of the file size being rejected by many mail servers. Of course the newsletter will be available on the Region website as soon as it is published, but we recommend that you get your email address on the list to receive more timely information also. There is a link on the Region web page or you can visit this link: http://lists.tcpaaconvention.org/mailman/listinfo/regionone

# **August Meeting**

Date: Aug. 9, 2014 Time: 9:00 AM

Place: La Porte

Region One website: TexasCPAAA.org/Region1



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