

January 2016

Brenham Citizen Police Academy Alumni Association

# The Informant

### Happy New Year!

#### Dates to remember

Board Meeting 6:30 pm	1/4
General Meeting 7pm	1/11
COP Banquet 6:30 pm	1/28
Class 30 begins	2/11
Blood Drive @ City Hall	1/22
@ BPD Community Room	1/23

## January PD Birthdays

Eddie Ortega	1/9
🧳 David Dudenhoeffe	r 1/12
Res. Off. Billy Rich	1/18
📕 Trey Gully	1/28
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#### New Year, New Board

Our first general meeting for this new year will be on Monday **January 11th** at the PD beginning at 7pm.

NEW Board members will be sworn in at the January meeting. We welcome Sue Braun, Carole Petzolt and Clarence Steinfeld to the board. With a new year comes a new Citizen Police Academy Class. Class 30 begins February 11th. If you know of someone who might be interested in joining, please contact Cpl. Chris Jackson for an application, download online or stop by the Police Dept.

Members of the Alumni Association are encouraged to volunteer to assist during this 12 week period. There are many ways you can help. Signing up is easy! Just call Chris at 337-7324 or email him at cjackson@cityofbrenham.org

Left: Chief Goodman names

### Terrence Johnson 2015 POLICE OFFICER OF THE YEAR

His Captains are on hand to congratulate him.



It's Award Season - CONGRATULATIONS!!

Left: *Annette Tiemann* is named the **2015** 

#### CPAAA Member of the Year

Chief Goodman and Chris Jackson present her the award



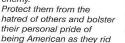
Left: Chief Goodman and Chris Jackson present *Wayne Brown* with the 2015 OFFICER'S CHOICE AWARD

#### Pray for Our Troops

Almighty God, our Source of strength and courage, we ask You to guide the leaders of nations in the ways of peace and justice and enduring freedom for the peoples of the world.

In these times of peril and war against terrorism, listen to our prayers for the men and women

serving in our armed forces, our military leaders and our allies. Protect them all from harm as they go into battle on land, in the sea and in the air. Take away whatever fear from their hearts and enable them to overcome swiftly and decisively the violence and cruelty of the enemy.



their personal pride of being American as they rid our world of the works of darkness and weapons of mass destruction. Console their loved ones and family members who remain on the

home front. Gently dry the tears of those who mourn for the wounded in battle and for those who have paid the ultimate sacrifice. Oh God, bless them with Thy presence. Grant us homeland security.

May Thy Peace, the fruit of justice, truth and mercy, reign in America and throughout the world. Amen.

### **COP** Activity

Thanks to the following COPs for their help on: **12-19-15 Lake Loons Toy Run Escort:** *Rob Aguilar, Tex Davis, Wayne Miller, Albert Green and Wanda Aguilar; Also assisting were WCCOPs : Larry Neveux, Gary Baldwin, Doss Pruitt, Gene Hermann, Ira Newsome and Israel Aviles-Reves.* 





It was a busy month for our COPs in the first couple of weeks, but those stats were in last months newsletter. The rest of the month was quiet; except for all of those parties! Another great year of service to the community; with over Eleven Thousand Hours, you should feel proud of this accomplishment!!



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Rob Aguilar

Dec. COP Hours		
Rob Aguilar	42	
Wanda Aguilar	15.5	
Dorothy Antkowiak	36.5	
Clyde Averitt	4.5	
James Bassett	11.5	
Kevin Braun	4.5	
Sue Braun	10.5	
Wayne Brown	22	
Willie Brown	12	
David Clinkenbeard	72	
Sandra Clinkenbeard	27.75	
Bob Cothern	30.5	
Michael Cowan	19	
Glen Daugherty	6	
Tex Davis	194	
Stan Ford	78.5	
Albert Green	30.5	
Dale Green	31.5	
Juanita Hickey	17.5	
Jim Hollister	3	
Millie Keller	9	
Howard Mead	13.75	
Wayne Miller	31.5	
Don Peloquin	20	
Carole Petzolt	46.75	
Monroe Petzolt	36.25	
Jerry Schwake	20	
Liz Schwake	20	
Corina Smith	27.75	
Mark Smith	22.25	
Tony Smith	12	
Clarence Steinfeld	33.5	
Annette Tiemann	7	
Ron Upchurch	40.75	
Ceci Wagner	6	
Jean Winters	9	
Catharine Wood	6	
Chuck Wood	7	
Billy Yawn	3	
TOTAL	1037.75	
Yearly Total	11,201.25	

### The Lake Loons Triumph

By Rob Aguilar

It was not just another traffic control/escort assignment. It was an escort that was of such importance to so many; that we wanted it to be just right. It was the *Annual Lake Loons Toy Run*, and three of its eight stops were in Brenham. Three lucky Brenham families were adopted this Christmas by these civic minded motorcycle riders. The Lake Loons are made up of many motorcycle clubs and riders from the Lake Somerville, Snook and Brenham area that come together for this rewarding endeavor. Even our own COP Tony Smith was among the riders this year. Hats off to them for their hard work planning, fundraising, researching the families, shopping, making this ride in all kinds of weather and lastly making Holiday Wishes come true for so many. They saved the best for last; Brenham had their last three stops this Holiday Season. Then the riders would head back home by way of their favorite watering hole in Snook. Why not, after a full day of spreading holiday cheer; they deserve a little holiday cheer too!

The Washington County Citizens On Patrol (WCCOP) and the Brenham Citizens On Patrol (BCOP) were out in full force that Saturday afternoon to ensure a smooth ride thru Washington County and the streets of Brenham for the 80 motorcycles and various cars, trucks and trailers that were making this ever important trek. WCCOP's picked up the motor heads at the northern Washington County Line, one vehicle took the lead and the second brought up the rear as the group moved thru the County. When the convoy reached Blue Bell at Hwy 36 N, BCOP's took the lead, escorting the group to their first stop here on Clayton Street. We parked our patrol units to mingle with the group and watched as they brought cheer to the family on Clayton Street. We noticed that several group members grabbed wrapped and unwrapped gifts and stuffed animals and distributed them to the surrounding households and to kids in the neighborhood that stopped to watch what was going on. It was on to our next location on W. Main Street. The large enclosed trailer that was nouce full of gifts and toys was becoming empty. And the flatbed trailer that was hauling dozens of bicycles early that morning was now also becoming increasingly lighter.

One last stop to make; the escort was on the move again, our destination was on Weldon Trace. Once again we parked to observe the happenings and caught glimpses of the family and the children as they were receiving their gifts; the looks on the children's faces was priceless and expressions of gratitude from the adults was also rewarding. The trailers were now both empty; the benevolent biker's joyous tasks had come to an end. The escort was going smoothly; it was time to get these tired bikers on their way to Snook for their much needed respite.

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The reason it was going so smoothly, despite the many intersections and traffic lights, was the fact that the Lake Loons had several teams of "spotters" that were stationed at most of the intersections. These spotters had traffic vests and traffic control flags that they used to assist us in our efforts. This made our job so much easier, it made a complicated escort relatively simple; considering we had no official Police presence.

It was quite a sight; a sea of motorcycles as far as the eye could see riding triumphantly out of sight. Santa was leading the pack (a jolly biker in a Santa suit). COP patrol units with lights and sirens ensuring safe passage through the streets of Brenham and Washington County. It was good to work with the WCCOP's again, but sadly, we didn't get to visit this time out. I would like to thank all the COPs that helped with this worthwhile endeavor. Representing the Washington County COPs were Larry Neveux, Gary Baldwin, Doss Pruitt, Gene Hermann, Ira Newsome, and Israel Aviles-Reyes. Representing the Brenham COPs were Tex Davis, Albert Green, Wanda Aguilar, Wayne Miller and Rob Aguilar. *Great Job Guys!* 



#### Another Triumph for the Lake Loons and the COPs

Joyce & Clyde Averitt celebrated their 60th Wedding Anniversary on Sunday Jan. 3rd CONGRATULATIONS!!

### Christmas Party 2015

By Rob Aguilar

The 2015 BPD/CPAAA Christmas Party lived up to the hype, and exceeded all expectations. Everyone that attended will attest that a good time was had by all. I was a little disappointed that we did not have one hundred percent attendance, but that's just because I wanted to see some of the people that could not attend. It's always nice to see people in a relaxed party atmosphere, rather than at an assignment where one is pressured to perform their duties and conversations are at a minimum.

There are several reasons for the success of this party, and several people that need to be thanked for their efforts. We would start by thanking the Social Committee Chairperson, Corina Smith. Corina would be the first to say that most of the credit should go to those that assisted her with all of the details that have to be dealt with when putting on a party of this size. Her husband Mark was relied upon for numerous tasks; especially those that involved heavy lifting. All those phone calls to Annette Tiemann resulted in valuable advice, and hard to get items. Decorating was once again coordinated by Jean Winters; and the tables never looked better! And let's not forget her army of helpers, which included but was not limited to, Wanda Aguilar, Stan Ford, Bob Cothern, Albert Green, Wayne Miller, Clarence Steinfeld, Rob Aguilar, and even Chris Jackson was there for the set-up and clean-up operations! But, as in years past, it was **truly a team effort** to pull off such a wonderful event; and the Event Center never looked so good. The fact that we had the talented Robbie Wooten Band again this year, also contributed greatly to the success of the party. Thanks to all that helped set up and clean up; and a special thanks to the Police Officers and their wives and friends that helped us dump trash, sweep, and pick up tables and chairs at the end of the evening; you know who you are so, **THANK YOU VERY MUCH!** 

Another noteworthy aspect that contributed to the great success of the party was the large contingent of BPD Officers that attended this year. While there were many CPAAA members on hand to enjoy the festivities; the number of BPD personnel was much greater than in years past. And that, in and of itself, is saying a lot, not only for the success of the party, but for the positive interaction shared by all the participants; which is the main reason we host this event.

One of the perks of attending this event is the good chance that you will walk away with one of the many "door prizes" that are generously donated. Along with the door prizes, there is the gamble that you may win the "split the pot" prize; which this year was taken home by Jean Luera's Mother-in-Law, Irene. Along with the door prizes, many of us got to take home a poinsettia used to decorate the hall; what a deal!

Of course we can't forget to mention that at the Annual Christmas Party we name the Police Officer of the Year, as well as, the CPAAA Member of the Year. This year, our new Police Chief, Craig Goodman, had the honor of announcing the Police Officer of the Year for 2015 as Officer **Terrence Johnson!!** Terrence was caught completely by surprise and was humbled by the award bestowed by his fellow officers. All I can say is that it was much deserved; and welcome to BPD! The CPAAA Member of the Year for 2015 is Annette Tiemann. This is the fourth time she has walked away with this award. She won that award last year and in 2011 as well as in 2008. She has always worked hard for our organization and I am glad to see her rewarded for her efforts. Who say's hard work doesn't get rewarded? And in a slight faux pau, the Officer's Choice Award was presented to a much deserving, but sadly absent, Wayne Brown. In past years, the Officer's Choice Award is given out at our COP Banquet in January; someone just couldn't wait, could you Chris!

Chief Goodman commented that our organization knows how to throw a party; and he is proud to be associated with such a great group of people. It was evident that he enjoyed himself; as did all those in attendance. For those of you that were not able to attend this year, hope to see you all at the next one. Again, many thanks to all that helped make this such a great party. And the only thing left to say is **BEST PARTY EVER!!!** 



Above: Some of our party set up crew L-R: Albert Green, Jean Winters, Corina Smith, Clarence Steinfeld, Annette Tiemann, Mark Smith and Wanda Aguilar. Some pretty table décor at right. Great Job Guys!



Above: Some more of our party set up crew l-R: Bob Cothern, Stan Ford, Chris Jackson, Wayne Miller and Clarence Steinfeld.









### Christmas Farty Fictures



SEE ANYONE THAT YOU KNOW ?

















































### More Christmas Party Pics































































Above: Santa worked hard at our Party!



Santa surprised the kids at BES on the last day of school before Christmas break with his traffic helpers Bob Cothern and Ron Upchurch!! Thank You Albert (Santa) Green!





Guns and Hoses Blood Drive Two-Day Event : Donor Coach at City Hall on Friday January 22nd from 9 am to 3 pm. Then on Saturday January 23rd, the "Big Drive" will be at the Brenham Police Station Community Room from 9 am to 3 pm. Please come give the Gift of Life!



### **Community Service Is Our Top Priority**



Above: The Lake Loons Toy Run Coordinator presented Chief Goodman a Plaque for BPD and Chris Jackson a plaque for the COPs



Above and below: The Police and Fire Departments teamed up to adopt two Adam's Angel Families for Christmas. It's the Reason for the Season - Christ and Giving! One of the families was our own Police Chief for a Day, Traelan Nickersons'; how neat was that!!



SAVE THE DATE: Make plans to attend the Annual COP Awards Banquet on Thursday, January 28th at the Blinn Student Center/ Janis Sneed Banquet Room at 6:30 pm Dress is Business Casual or your Uniform.



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