

Brenham Citizen Police Academy Alumni Association

# The Informant

# Happy New Year!

#### Dates to remember

Board Meeting 6:30 pm 1/3
General Meeting 7pm 1/9
COP Banquet 6:30 pm 1/26
Class 31 begins 2/9
Blood Drive @ City Hall 1/20
@ BPD Community Room 1/21

#### New Year, New Board

Our first general meeting for this new year will be on Monday **January 9th** at the PD beginning at 7pm.

NEW Board members will be sworn in at the January meeting. We welcome Sherry Parker, Larry Keller and Rob Aguilar to the board. With a new year comes a new Citizen Police Academy Class. Class 31 begins February 9th. 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

#### **January PD Birthdays**

Eddie Ortega 1/9

David Dudenhoeffer 1/12

Res. Off. Billy Rich 1/18

Jared Campbell 1/25

Sierra Newell 1/27

Trey Gully 1/28



## It's Award Season

# **CONGRATULATIONS!!**





Officer Santa Program a Big Success. See Pages 4,5,6,7

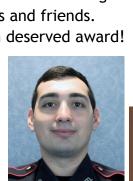


Police Officer of the Year for 2016, David Dudenhoeffer, as well as CPAAA Member of the Year, Clarence Steinfeld, and the Officer's Choice Award winner, Stan Ford were all named at our BPD/CPAAA Christmas Party. See page 2

### And the winner is...



Above: Officer of the Year recipient, Cpl. David Dudenhoeffer says a few words to his adoring fans, I mean his fellow Officers and friends. Congrats Dudder on your much deserved award!



Brenham PD's newest Officer, Alex Saenz, is from Bellville and a recent graduate of the Wharton Junior College's Police Academy.



Above: Alex is sworn in by Municipal Court Judge Bill Kendall. Below: Chief Craig Goodman pins on his badge.



Right: After his swearing in and badge pinning ceremony; New BPD Officer Alex Saenz poses for a picture surrounded by his Family (Mom and Dad) and his new Family (fellow Officers)!!



Above: Our CPAAA Member of the Year for 2016, Clarence Steinfeld, receives his award from Chief Craig Goodman. Job Well Done!!

Below: The Officers' Choice Award winner, Stan Ford is congratulated by a thankful Chief.

Stan, your hard work was recognized!!!





#### 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.

Protect them from the hatred of others and bolster 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.



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# **COP Activity**

Thanks to the following COPs for their help on:

**12-17-16** Lake Loons Toy Run Escort: Rob Aguilar, Tex Davis, Sherry Parker, Clarence Steinfeld.

#### 12-17-16 Rockin' Star Ranch Wedding Parking Assignment:

Dorothy Antkowiak, Dale Green, Annette Tiemann, Clarence Steinfeld, Sherry Parker

The only other thing happening in December was the Officer Santa ("Blue Santa") Program; which was a **BIG SUCCESS**, due to the great participation of our membership and the diligent work of a few key players which included, but was not limited to: Annette Tiemann, Wanda Aguilar, Carole Petzolt, Dorothy Antkowiak, Sherry Parker, Corina Smith and Ginger Bishop. A lot of us guys were also instrumental in the programs success, but hats off to the ladies for a great effort and TONS of HARD WORK!!!

**SAVE THE DATE:** Make plans to attend the Annual COP Awards Banquet on Thursday, January 26th at the Blinn Student Center/ Janis Sneed Banquet Room at 6:30 pm Dress Awesome 2016!!! is Business Casual or your Uniform.

Dec. COP Hours		
Rob Aguilar	45	
Wanda Aguilar	21.75	
<b>Dorothy Antkowiak</b>	72	
Clyde Averitt	3.25	
Kevin Braun	1	
Sue Braun	9.5	
Willie Brown	10	
<b>Bob Cothern</b>	35	
Michael Cowan	16	
Glen Daugherty	13	
Tex Davis	162	
Stan Ford	94.5	
Albert Green	77.5	
Dale Green	22	
Juanita Hickey	14	
Jim Hollister	4	
Larry Keller	5	
<b>Howard Mead</b>	16.5	
Wayne Miller	5	
Jerry Ondrias	4	
<b>Sherry Parker</b>	122.75	
Don Peloquin	20	
Carole Petzolt	37.75	
Monroe Petzolt	17.75	
Corina Smith	32.5	
Mark Smith	12	
<b>Tony Smith</b>	12	
Laura Sparks	.5	
Clarence Steinfeld	68.25	
<b>Annette Tiemann</b>	38	
Ron Upchurch	112.25	
Ceci Wagner	2	
<b>Catharine Wood</b>	14	
Chuck Wood	8	
TOTAL	4400 75	

Dec COP Hours

TOTAL 1128.75

Yearly Total 9,808

## Officer Santa Program

By Rob Aguilar

This was the first year that the Brenham Police Department attempted a Christmas gift giving drive on such a grand scale. The last couple of years BPD partnered with BFD and adopted a couple of Adams Angels Families at Christmas time. The partnership continued this year, with great success. However, only two families were impacted; which is still a great thing. In October of 2016, Chief Goodman came to the CPAAA for our input on his vision of an Officer Santa Program, much like the program he had conducted in Pasadena. We met his vision of businesses donating the funds for us to buy a dream Christmas for dozens of children with some skepticism.

The donations came pouring in, well, trickling in; but we did get enough money to go forward with the plan. Each child filled out a wish list, with their top 2 items being our priority. The plan that started with 50 to 75 underprivileged children grew quickly to include some 120+ kids. The shopper's from our CPAAA group grew from 4 to 6; and the shopping trips grew exponentially. The shopping team tried to stay local with their purchases, but some items proved very hard to find; some trips were to out-of-town stores. Our shoppers grew weary as their deadline grew near.

The guys in our group weren't left out of this grand plan; and were called in to help put all of the toys and items into individual and family bundles. The items were numbered, tagged, and bagged; ready for the December 21<sup>st</sup> delivery date. We had at least a dozen members there, every evening, sorting, tagging and bagging. We thought that we would never finish; the sally port was overflowing with bag after bag. Shopping continued to include delivery day!

The 21<sup>st</sup> was upon us and another army of volunteers showed up at BPD to lend their assistance. The Fire Department, Sheriff's Office, EMS, and DPS sent personnel to assist BPD and COP officers who were ready to bring some Christmas cheer to the many children on their list. We met for a briefing in the Community Room, where Chief Goodman imparted some wisdom, and made fun of the Fire Department; before we loaded our make shift sleighs, our respective emergency vehicles, for our mission of cheer. The sally port became empty in a relatively short time. Ambulances, fire trucks, patrol cars and our MRAP were stuffed with toys and goodies (and also a grocery store gift certificate for each family). The MRAP also carried our Blue Santa (Albert Green). We all got together at the Fireman's Training Center parking lot for a group photo, before making our respective deliveries.

There were a few wrong addresses and some places that we had to return to later, but it mostly went as planned. The added benefit of making these deliveries were all of the smiling faces and great hugs we received from the grateful kids and parents. I can't say that every

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delivery was gracious and gleeful; but most were very fulfilling for us. Cpl. Kurie supplied a barbecue lunch, held in the Community Room, for all of the participants. Unbeknownst to me, Cpl. Kurie has played Blue Santa to several families in the past; and he was instrumental in this year's endeavor (especially adding more names to the list). I was told that the Officers can't wait to do it again next year; as was the sentiment from the Fire Department. I am sure that all of the participants on delivery day are ready to do it again; but as for our shoppers, sorters, baggers and taggers, give us several months to think about it! But seriously, it was a huge undertaking, with the largest burden on our group of shoppers. A BIG THANK YOU to our shopper's: Annette Tiemann, Wanda Aguilar, Sherry Parker, Carole Petzolt, Corina Smith, Dorothy Antkowiak; and Ginger Bishop who handled the lists and labels as well as our money.



# OUR ELVES HARD AT WORK















































Yes, it was the smiles and the hugs that made this day one that we will remember for months to come. It will also give us that push to do more for our community in 2017. We hope that this days' impression will last and not fade at the first sign of adversity that we will surely face in the early days of this new year. I, for one will gladly work hard next year to ensure that these, and families like these, will have a great Christmas. Won't you join me!!

# BPD/CPAAA CHRISTMAS PARTY 2016































## Community Service Is Our Top Priority

Again this year, The Brenham Police and Fire Department have partnered together to adopt 2 Adam's Angel Families for Christmas. One family you are very familiar with; it's Traelan Nickerson and his Grandmother. Traelan was our BPD Chief of the Day a few years back; and we have kept in contact with him ever since. The other lucky family was the Martinez family. Adam's Angel founder, Donna Culiver, was on hand for the gift giving; but did a good job of avoiding the camera. It looks like the Police Officers and Firefighters had a great time doling out presents, making everyone smile, and receiving those great hugs!! They can't wait to do it again next year, right Guys! They just ask that Chris "Crazy Legs" Jackson dress appropriately next time!! No Chris, they weren't jealous.

























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## **SEE ANYONE THAT YOU KNOW?**



















































It was an assembly just for Cpl. Lance Weiss at BHS. While the music played, Lance was presented with a Cub Green Uniform to wear while on campus and at Cub functions. They really like Lance and the fine job he is doing at the High School!





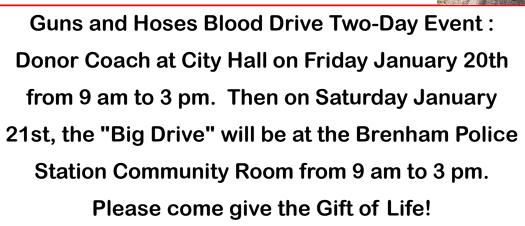


At left and right: Friends dropped by to bring us food and other goodies for us to enjoy during the Holiday Season. (At left: One of Santa's helpers was our own CPAAA/COP member Helen Jordan; great to see you!)



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!







The Lakeloons Toy Run ran a little behind schedule as the family on Hillside Drive was not home when they arrived. They made the most of this down time, socializing with the neighbors; until the lucky family arrived and received a mountain of gifts. They only made one stop in Brenham this year; probably due to the Officer Santa Program taking care of so many other families. Our own Tony Smith rode with the group that day, as they spread cheer throughout the area.























Far Left:Ashley Burns Batson telling Blue Santa her wish list! Below: More photos from December 21st. Our Army of Elves being briefed, working hard and then being fed. Working together that day was great; let's do it again next year!!

















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