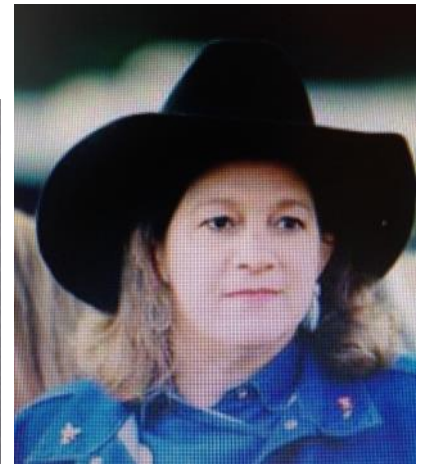


March 2019

Newsletter of the Brenham, TX Citizens Police Academy Alumni Association

The Informant



Deborah Jean (Mayfield) Northrup

February 10, 1959 - March 4, 2018

*It's been a year today, March 7, 2018, when we said our final goodbyes to our dear friend Debbie. Police Officers, firefighter, relatives and friends gathered at Memorial Oaks Chapel to pay their respects and bid a final farewell to the "Mother of the Brenham Police Station". She was called that by many of the officers, as they would often seek her counsel on any and all matters; she was quite wise and would tell it to you straight. She was the Evidence Technician at the time of her death, but held every civilian position in our department in her 30 years of service. I have never seen a parking meter in Brenham, but Debbie started her career here as a "meter maid". She was married to Preston Northrup III for over 37 years and they had a son Preston (Buddy) Northrup IV. She was an accomplished horsewoman, who loved nature and the outdoors. She and her husband rode with the Salt Grass Trail Ride Association for over 25 years. Debbie was a woman of faith and a fixture at the Cowboy Church of Brenham. It has been a hard year for us here at BPD. **Debbie, you have been missed.***

Dates to remember this month

- CPA class 6:30pm 3/14
- CPA class 6:30pm 3/21
- CPA class 6:30pm 3/28
- General Meeting 7pm 3/11
- Guns&Hoses9am3pm 4/26

March Birthdays

- Cpl. Hunter Andras 3/2
- Ofc. Andrew Adams 3/3
- Capt. Dant Lange 3/29
- Ofc. Alex Saenz 4-7

**Spring Forward
this Sunday at 2 am**



County Judge **John L. Durrenberger** will speak at our March CPAAA Meeting, Police Station Training Room at 7 pm. Our newly elected County Judge has quite an interesting background, that makes him more than qualified to make the decisions that affect our area. John has lived in Washington County for the last 30 years. He graduated from Giddings High School (more on page 5)

COP NEWS

Thanks to the following COPs for their help:

February COP Hours

Rob Aguilar	52
Wanda Aguilar	14.5
Dorothy Antkowiak	2
Patricia Badough	16.25
Kevin Braun	4
Sue Braun	11
Willie Brown	12
Bob Cothern	49
Michael Cowan	12
Tex Davis	221.75
Ernest Dever	2
Doug Feist	28.5
Stan Ford	34.5
Albert Green	57.25
Dale Green	2
Jerry Jares	64.75
Richard Jares	119.75
Harry Jones	7
Dick Klein	10
Howard Mead	7
Wayne Miller	2
Steve Oneill	4
Sherry Parker	16
Jerry Schwake	2
Mark Smith	4
Tony Smith	11.5
Laura Sparks	11
Clarence Steinfeld	11
Billy Sutherland	2
Annette Tiemann	22.5
Ron Upchurch	79.75
Lori Walker	38.5
Darrell Weed	2
Catherine Wood	16

TOTAL 949.5

2/13-14/19 Valentines Day Flower Delivery: Annette Tiemann, Dorothy Antkowiak, Sherry Parker, Clarence Steinfeld, Larry Keller, Corina Smith, Rosie Langford, Ron Upchurch, Sue Braun, Stan Ford, Dale Green, Carole Petzolt, Rob Aguilar, Wanda Aguilar

2-28-19 New Life Ministries/New Beginnings Parking Assignment: Dorothy Antkowiak, Doug Feist, Steve Oneill, Tony Smith, Tex Davis, Ron Upchurch, Richard Jares

3-1-19 First Baptist Fundraiser Parking/Traffic Assignment: Dale Green, Dorothy Antkowiak, Albert Green, Ron Upchurch, Doug Feist, Bob Cothern, Rob Aguilar

3-1-19 First Friday Farmers and Artisans Market: Richard Jares, Tex Davis



Above: Rob Aguilar presents Juanita Hickey with her COP Certificate and the February copy of the Informant. Juanita is at Argent Court 2815 Victory Lane Room 308. She would love to see you; call or just stop by!



Above: I caught Clyde Averitt reading the Informant when I went to visit him. He's rehabbing from a hip injury at Brenham Nursing and Rehab, 400 E. Sayles, Room 310. He too, would love to see everyone!



Right: The delivery of our BNSF donated railroad cross ties. They will come in very handy at the gun range; and will save us a lot of money. Stan Ford stuck with his quest to locate and get us the lowest price possible on plastic railroad cross ties. Well, zero, free, donated and nada is quite a low price. Thanks again Stan, and **THANK YOU to BNSF and Patrick Smotek** for the generous donation. We work well together; see page 6 for more.



Committees and You

The following is a list of the CPAAA Committees, Committee Chairperson, and what that committee does. This list is for clarification; as some may not know how certain committees function. A better understanding of these committees may lead to more participation by you, the members.

Media/Newsletter Committee - Rob Aguilar This committee is charged with public relations for our organization. It places notices, pictures and pleas in the local newspaper. It is charged with putting out our monthly newsletter, the Informant. Rob is always looking for news worthy items to place in the Informant; and for anyone willing to sit down and write articles, as well as submit pictures for publication.

Speaker Committee - Laura Sparks This committee is charged with obtaining a suitable speaker for our meetings on a quarterly basis. They will also provide the Media committee with a brief biography of the speaker so it can be published in the local paper prior to meeting night. They will also introduce the speaker to our group on meeting night.

Social Committee - Patricia Badough The social committee puts our social functions together. They secure a proper venue for the type of function we wish to have. They secure a caterer if needed, and music if desired (Band or DJ). They are also tasked with set up, which may include purchasing table cloths, silverware, etc. and making sure the venue is ready for guests. They will also have to make sure the venue is cleaned after use. They will also have to make sure that deposits and bills are paid for all items related to the event. Even the Christmas Parade Float falls under the social committee's purview.

Fundraising Committee - Annette Tiemann and Albert Green The fundraising committee is in charge of our two major fundraisers: the Bake Sale (held the Saturday before Mother's Day) and the Drive Thru Fundraiser (held the first Monday in November). They are tasked with everything related to these fund raising efforts like having tickets printed, printing posters and signs and displaying them. Also, getting volunteers to help and or to bake items. They also have to secure the venues and make sure no rules are being violated as related to the venue. Lastly, they are in charge of the monies collected until which time as the Treasurer takes possession.

Benevolence Committee - Annette Tiemann This committee is charged with keeping the membership informed on the wellbeing of its members. They will report on major illnesses or pending surgeries. They will also send out Get Well cards to members that are ill or infirmed, Condolence cards to members that have lost loved ones. On a brighter note, we will also send out Cards for promotions, and other milestones; as well as Thank You cards to individuals or businesses that have treated us or the department well; or to those that have donated time or money to our causes.

Membership Committee - Sue Braun This committee is charged with recruiting new members from the current CPA Class. Seeing that the enrollment forms are filled out properly and that dues are paid. Contacting members if dues are delinquent. And, answering questions about membership and our organization.

So if you would like to help or be on any of these committees, or have more questions, let the Chairperson know; I am sure that they would welcome your assistance.



What's all the fuss about? A young driver drove his SUV into the creek at Hohlt Park. Our resident PD expert, Retired Captain Billy Rich (the Santa impersonator pictured below) told BPD Rookie Officer's Zack Greig and Lawrence Garnett that he had never seen or known of anyone driving into that creek in his 39 years here. Well the Rookies have only been here a month and can say that they have! The BFD was on hand as was DPS and Code Compliance (Billy Rich) and even COP Tex Davis was there directing traffic on N. Park Street. A group effort!



Above: Ofc. Zack Greig, Billy Rich, Cpl. Ashley Burns

Far Left: Billy Rich, DPS Ofc., Ofc. Lawrence Garnett

Left: Tex Davis

It was nice seeing Billy again!!



Above and below: Working together, our 3 SRO's Cpl. Lance Weiss, Ofcs. Sierra Newell and Jason Kasprowicz explain what they do at the schools to CPA Class 33. Long time SRO Lt. Kelvin Raven lent his expertise as did Sgts. Todd Ashorn and Steven Eilert. Being a School Resource Officer (SRO) is quite taxing, but definitely rewarding.



where he was Class President, and was Captain of the Football, Basketball and Baseball teams his senior year. He also attended Blinn College. He purchased Pearl Beer Distributing Company of Giddings in 1971 and created Centex Distributing Company in 1974. John co-founded Brazos Beverages of Bryan in 1975.

He married his wife Cherryl in 1986 and they have 3 sons, Charles (wife Laura), Gary and Eddie. They also have 3 grand daughters, Lauren, Madison and Paige. Shortly after his marriage he joined Mike Hopkins Distributing Company as the Vice-President and General Sales Manager and was with the company for 30 years; retiring in May of 2017. In his 30 years in our area, John has served on many boards and committees; in an effort to give back and make our community better. He served as Director on the Board of the First National Bank of Giddings. Served as President of the Giddings Chamber of Commerce. He co-founded the Lee County Youth Baseball Association and served as it's President for 5 years. He is a member of the Giddings Volunteer Fire Department, the Lions Club of Giddings and Blue Bonnet Hills, Rodeo Houston Metro Go Texan Hospitality committee. He is a member of the Chappell Hill United Methodist Church and was named Chappell Hill Chamber of Commerce Man of the Year in 2014. John pledges to devote himself to the full-time obligation that is the office of Washington County Judge.



Left: L-R Sgt. Todd Ashorn, Capt. Lloyd Powell, BNSF Rep. Patrick Smotek and COP Cpl. Stan Ford. After 6 to 8 months of phone calls, emails, texts and drives to Somerville, our hard work paid off; in the form of 50 plastic rail-road cross ties. BNSF donated these 50 cross ties for us to use at our Gun Range. **Thanks Stan!** BNSF did something else for us, see Page 6 for more.

CPA CLASS 33

FEB. 7TH

TO

MAY 9TH

CPA Class 33 is well underway; having had 5 of their 12 classes. They had their Orientation Class, Jail Tour, Tour of Communications and EMS Station 2 as well as their Fire Department Tour. They have had CRASE Training, learned about Texas Best Practices, FTO program, Internal Affairs Division, School Resource Officers, Mental Health Enforcement issues, Patrol Procedures, Handcuffing and Use of Force. That is a lot of information in a short time, but this group seems to have a good grasp of all that is taught. We (CPAAA/COP members) have had fun talking and interacting with them these past 5 weeks. We have broken bread with them (so to speak) and answered some great questions about our organization. We hope that they will stay on when their 12 weeks culminates into their graduation. Only time will tell; perhaps there will be some future COPs coming from Class 33!!



A BIG THANK YOU to Lt. Marlowe Lowrey for conducting the Washington County Sheriff's Office and Jail Tour, on the second night of classes. The tour was interesting as well as eye-opening. More photos on page 9

Grooming Woes

A Sonnet by Rob Aguilar

Isn't ear hair funny?
 But nose hair is so gross.
 Removal could cost money,
 but the alternative morose.
 How about that blemish,
 and that great big zit.
 Makeup is not mannish,
 But I have a cream for it!
 Are your fingernails too long?
 Check your toenails as well.
 Use clippers, you can't go wrong.
 I'll leave the toes, just don't tell.
 Don't forget to comb your hair.
 Not today, I just don't care!



Grooming is a necessary chore!



Above: Communication personnel and Officers from BPD, the Sheriff's Office and Blinn PD were treated to pizza by BNSF. The Burlington Northern Sante Fe Railroad was appreciative of the efforts to investigate, apprehend and arrest the 3 individuals responsible for setting railroad ties on fire near their tracks (approx. FM 577 and Higgins Rd.). All the entities involved were invited to this "pizza party" held at Communications. Sorry, but they overlooked the Fire Department who extinguished the blaze??

Any CPAAA member that would like to work the front desk at the Brenham Police Department will now be able to do so. This program would not require a front desk volunteer to participate in the Citizens On Patrol (COP) program; nor would they need any COP training. You would be taught, on site, the duties that you would perform which would include greeting citizens, answering and or transferring phone calls, finding, copying and selling accident reports, shredding documents, running errands, etc. You may be asked to perform other tasks, but you will not be asked to do anything you do not feel comfortable doing or have not been trained to do. While a formal uniform will not be furnished; you will be issued a Polo shirt with a Volunteer Corps logo. Anyone interested can contact Ron Upchurch.

Richard and Jerry Jares were on hand to assist Brenham Pet Adoption Director, Allison Harper, at the Valentine's Adoption Day event held on Saturday, February 9th; simultaneously, at the Pet Adoption Center on Longwood Drive and at Puppy Dawgs and Cat Tails in downtown Brenham. The event was a success, as they adopted out 16 animals; with several other animals being adopted shortly thereafter, like Alex Saenz's new dog. Last August's Clear the Shelter Drive adopted out 58 animals. Citadel Christian School students served snacks, did face painting and other craft activities; and was a huge cheering team when a pet adoption occurred. Even CPA Class 33 members, Richard and Vita went home with the cutest cat; they call him Sunshine. The photos below are of the event and if you look closely you will see Jerry, Allison, Richard and Vita; Richard Jares took the pics, so he won't be seen. Thanks Richard for the photos; and thanks to you and Jerry for volunteering, and to Richard and Vita for the adoption!



Happy St. Patrick's Day



The 3 photos below are of the First Friday Farmers Market and Artisan Event held on March 1st. Richard Jares and Tex Davis worked this event, along with BPD Officers. Richard managed to get into a picture somehow. Good Job Guys!



Valentines Day deliveries were a big success again this year!!

THANK YOU

A BIG THANK YOU to all of the CPAAA/COP members that came out to deliver flowers Wednesday and Thursday. Your efforts garnered us a check for \$671.50 that's a little less than last year, but a great effort by all involved.

Your grateful Fundraiser Committee Chair,
Annette Tiemann



I only delivered flowers on Thursday, and these were the only volunteers that I saw; I know there were many more. Photos are of Dale Green, Wanda Aguilar, Dorothy Antkowiak, Corina Smith and Annette Tiemann. Thanks to all that took time out of their busy schedules to help us out!

Below is a handmade Valentine Card that I saw in the patrol break room at BPD along with all sorts of edible goodies. Happy Valentine's Day Guys & Gals!!



A BIG THANK YOU to all of our members that have come out to the CPA Classes and brought and served snacks, answered questions and participate in the class activities; making Class 33 a big success!

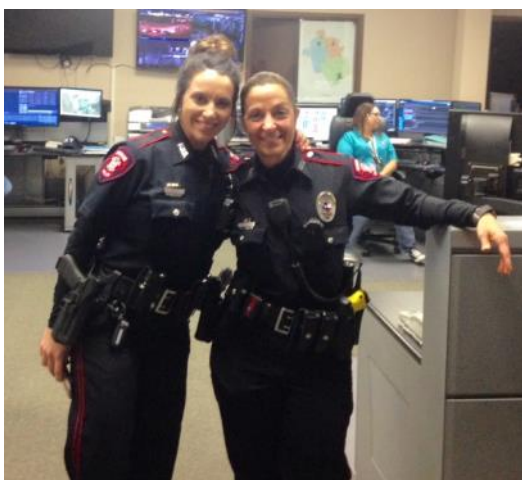


Below: 3 photos from the EMS Station Tour conducted by EMT/Paramedic Armstrong. Note the CPR Lucas Devisse that he demonstrated.



Class 33

Class 33 is well underway; here are some photos from their tour of the Washington County Communications Center .
Anyone look familiar??



Thank You to our meal servers bottom right: Wanda Aguilar, Patricia Badough and Doug Feist (Rob Aguilar not pictured). Thanks to Ofcs. Marley Mayo and Richelle Taylor above, for their support!



Brenham Fire Department CPA Class 33 Tour 2-21-19



Thank you to the Brenham Fire Department. Thank You to Fire Chief Ricky Boeker, Capt. Tank Neinstead, Lt. Jarred Eschete, Driver Operators': Chase Jones, Brent Folsom, and Cody Burge for the great tour of the EOC, Fire Station, Trucks, Gear, Equipment, and Fire Safety Class.



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Happy St. Patrick's Day

Reminder: Sunday March 10th is the start of Daylight Savings Time. So remember to move your clocks forward ONE HOUR. (Spring Forward, Fall Back).

Your 2019 Board of Directors wishes to remind all members that membership dues must be paid by June 1st to be kept on the roster.
Thank you.