



# The Informant

October 2019

Brenham Citizen Police Academy Alumni Association

## Upcoming Events

<b>General Meeting</b> 6:30pm	<b>10/14</b>
<b>Halloween Candy Drive Thru @ Max Donuts</b>	<b>10/31</b>
<b>Drive-thru Fundraiser @ FTC</b>	<b>11/4</b>
<b>General Meeting</b>	<b>11/11</b>
<b>Christmas Parade</b>	<b>12/7</b>
<b>Holiday Awards Banquet</b>	<b>TBD</b>



National Night Out 2019 was a great success again this year; with great participation from BPD, COP, E-911 and our Chaplain group as well as, the public. The public hosted 16 block parties this year in the city limits. To your left is the party at Retired BPD **Sgt. Albert Garcia's** house. See pages 3 & 6.



**Chief Allwin Barrow** debuted his Uniform on National Night Out. And again on Picture Day!! See page 5

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY**

Ofc. Zackary Greig	10/15
Ofc. Lawrence Garnett	10/18
Det. Terrence Johnson	11/1
Ofc. Richelle Taylor	11/5



Our Guest Speaker at Monday's CPAAA Meeting will be Kristi Starnes, the Director of WC Emergency 911 (E-911). Kristi came from the great state of Alabama. Kristi's husband, Bob, is the project manager for Round Top Home Builders. They have one daughter, Sami, that lives in Georgia, where she has a career in Aviation. Before moving to Texas, Kristi and her family use to come to Texas several times a year for Cutting and Team Penning events. So, when the opportunity came available to work here, she jumped at it. (More on page 8)

# Citizens on Patrol

## September COP Hours

Many Thanks to the following COP's for all their hard work :

**September 6th, First Friday Farmers Market and Artisan Event:** Richard Jares, Tex Davis, Catharine Wood, Julie Wilson

**September 6th, Blinn Football Game Parking Assignment:** Tony Smith, Ron Upchurch, Steve Oneill, Wayne Miller, Dale Green, Dorothy Antkowiak, Clarence Steinfeld, Stan Ford, Doug Feist, Laura Sparks, Julie Wilson, Catharine Wood, Patricia Badough, Rob Aguilar

**September 14th, Fair Parade:** Tex Davis, Richard Jares, Jon Siemsglusz, Kathleen Siemsglusz, Laura Sparks, Clarence Steinfeld, Rob Aguilar

**September 18th—21st, W C Fair Traffic/Safety Assignment:** Bob Cothern, Richard Jares, Tex Davis, Ron Upchurch, Catharine Wood, Joshua Douglass, Doug Feist, Laura Sparks, Clarence Steinfeld, Rob Aguilar

**September 25th, BHS Homecoming Parade Safety Assignment:** Dale Green, Dorothy Antkowiak, Tex Davis, Julie Wilson, Annette Tiemann, Joshua Douglass, Laura Sparks, Rob Aguilar

**September 27th, Football Parking Assignment:** Rob Aguilar, Tony Smith, Charles Lewis, Ron Upchurch, Mark Smith, Stan Ford, Dorothy Antkowiak, Catharine Wood, Wayne Miller, Corina Smith, Bob Cothern, Joshua Douglass, Jon Siemsglusz, Dale Green

**September 28th, Kid Fish Fingerprinting Assignment:** Kevin Braun, Sue Braun, Annette Tiemann, Kathleen Siemsglusz, Jon Siemsglusz, Wanda Aguilar, Tony Smith, Dorothy Antkowiak, Tex Davis, Rob Aguilar

**October 1st, National Night Out:** Patricia Badough, Tex Davis, Clarence Steinfeld, Sue Braun, Kevin Braun, Kay Reichwein, Julie Wilson, Rob Aguilar

**October 4th, First Friday Farmers Market Event:** Richard Jares, Tex Davis

**October 5th, Blinn Band Competition Parking Assignment:** Annette Tiemann, Laura Sparks, Dorothy Antkowiak, Sunny Colpetzer, Bob Cothern

**October 5th, Home Depot's Fall Fun Day Event:** Sue Braun, Wanda Aguilar, Annette Tiemann, Dorothy Antkowiak, Rob Aguilar

**October 6th, Memorial Oaks Chapel Parking Assignment:** Rob Aguilar, Dorothy Antkowiak, Annette Tiemann, Dale Green, Sunny Colpetzer, Laura Sparks, Richard Jares, Ron Upchurch



These photos are from **A Night to Remember - September 11th**, hosted by Pioneer Smokehouse



Rob Aguilar	55.75
Wanda Aguilar	6
Dorothy Antkowiak	12.5
Patricia Badough	8.5
Kevin Braun	8
Sue Braun	16.5
Willie Brown	16
Sunny Colpetzer	2
Bob Cothern	31.5
Michael Cowan	14
Tex Davis	276
Joshua Douglass	50
Doug Feist	44.5
Stan Ford	11.5
Albert Green	74.25
Dale Green	6.5
David Holloway	3.5
Jerry Jares	35.25
Richard Jares	143.5
Dick Klein	3.5
Charles Lewis	2.5
Wayne Miller	10
Steve Oneill	2
Sherry Parker	4
Kay Reichwein	5.5
Elizabeth Schwake	22
Jon Siemsglusz	4.75
Kathleen Siemsglusz	6.75
Corina Smith	3
Mark Smith	5
Tony Smith	13.5
Laura Sparks	15
Clarence Steinfeld	11
Annette Tiemann	14.5
Ron Upchurch	100
Lori Walker	17.5
Darrell Weed	18
Julie Wilson	37
Catharine Wood	42.75

**TOTAL 1154**



"Fiesta" was the theme for the 36th Annual National Night Out, Crime and Drug Prevention Event. The event was a big success again this year, as well as, a lot of fun for all who participated. Coordination of the event was left to Sgt. Todd Ashorn. The event grew from last year's 13 neighborhood parties to 16 block parties this year. A big THANK YOU to all the participants: Chief Allwin Barrow, Capt. Lloyd Powell, Capt. Dant Lange, Lt. Kelvin Raven, Lt. Curtiss Schoen, Sgt. Todd Ashorn, Sgt. Seth Klehm, Sgt. Steven Eilert, Det. Jason Derrick, Det. Terrance Johnson, Ofc. Jason Kasprowicz, Ofc. Richelle Taylor and Alyson Tofel; COPs: Lt. Rob Aguilar, Clarence Steinfeld, Patricia Badough, Tex Davis, Sue Braun, Kevin Braun, Kay Reichwein, Julie Wilson. We were joined by Chaplains: Rev. Williams, Rev. Wells, Rev. Kosse and Rev. Brower. We were also joined by WC E-911 personnel: Kristi Stammes, Kristy Thomas and Heather Snowden. Can't wait to do it all again next year!!





In remembrance of September 11, 2001, H.E.B. and the Brenham Fire Department hosted a Heroes Luncheon for the areas' 1st Responders. A crowd of hungry 1st Responders filled the EOC. H.E.B. brought grilled hamburgers with all the trimmings; and it hit the spot for all in attendance. The fellowship was the best part of the afternoon, as BPD, BFD, DPS, EMS, City Utilities, and COPs were all gathered.

**A BIG THANK YOU TO H.E.B.!!**



October 9th was Picture Day here at BPD. Everyone was dressed in their "Sunday Best", or should I say their Class A Uniforms. The lenses on the camera were cleaned and a fresh card was inserted, Alyson was ready to go. She clicked away, and what you see here is the result; an awesome looking Police Department. There were several group shots taken of the Admin. Ladies, Chief, CID (Criminal Investigative Division), Command Staff, CRU (Crime Reduction Unit), the entire Department (except for those absent), the Ladies of BPD, the Sergeants, Merkley's Shift, Phipp's Shift, Snowden's Shift, Johnson's Shift, SRO's (School Resource Officers), and Supervisors. They are in no particular order, **see if you can identify their proper category!!**





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2019**

**"Viva Fiesta"**



Left & Right:  
BPD has a new  
Evidence Van



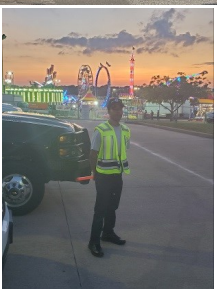
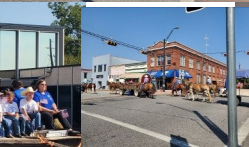
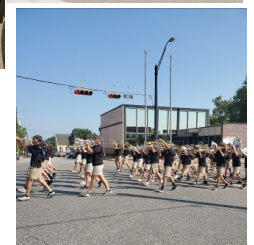
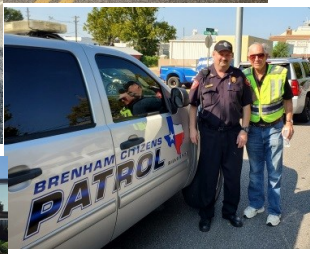
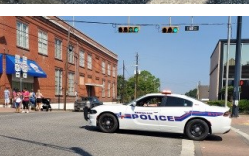
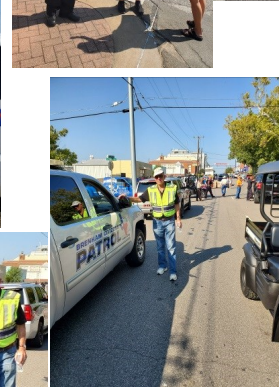
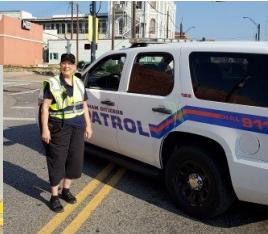
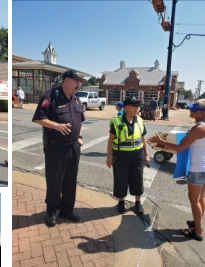
BPD has 6  
new Tahoes.  
Just in time  
for NNO!!



There was great participation at N N O  
by Police, Fire, EMS, S O and COPs.  
Everyone was well represented.



Lt. Rob Aguilar pre-  
sents Kathleen  
Siemsglusz and Julie  
Wilson with their  
Radio Call Numbers.  
Sgt. Steven Eilert  
presents Kay  
Reichwein with her  
Radio Call Number.



Everyone Loves a Parade!!

Another Fair and Fair Parade in the books!



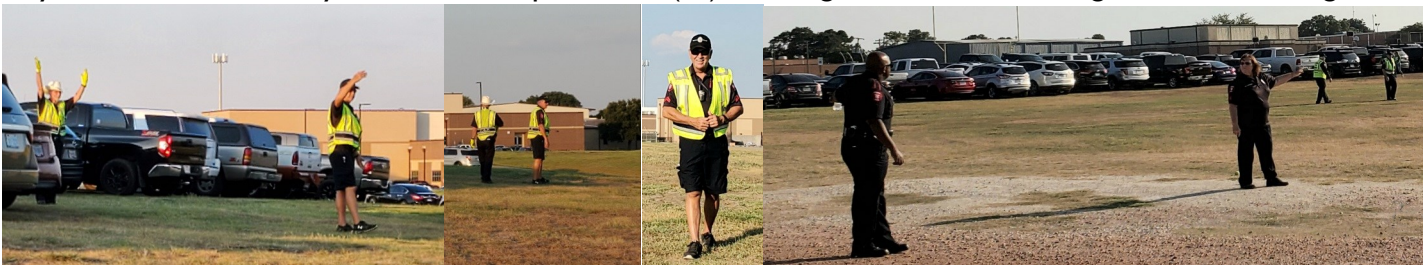


Kristi began her career over 23 years ago as a Dispatcher with the Gulf Shores Police Department. Over the course of those 23 years, Kristi has not only been a Dispatcher, but also a Director, Certified Police Officer, Assistant Director of E-911, Director of Emergency Management, and Homeland Security point of contact. When Kristi and Bob found out they were expecting their daughter, Kristi made the difficult decision to change career paths, but still stay in the public safety field. She accepted a position at the 911 center as the Assistant Director and later became Director over both 911 and Emergency Management. She was with the center for 18 years before coming to Brenham. Kristi has loved her 5 years here in Brenham; and she is doing a great job running our 911 Dispatch Center. All CPAAA members are encouraged to attend, what will surely be an interesting meeting. The photos to the left are of Kristi and her alter ego “Josh”. Josh is a national mascot for 911, along with “Cell-Phone Sally” (See page 12). E-911 has been getting more involved in our community lately. They participated in National Night Out and were on hand for all 9 of the Brenham Fire Departments’ Fire Prevention programs, presenting safety messages of their own using Josh and Cell-Phone Sally. (See page 12)



Richard and Jerry (Wise) Jares of Brenham celebrated their Golden Wedding Anniversary on Friday, September 27th. The two were married in 1969 at St. Theresa’s Catholic Church in Houston by Father John McCarthy. Richard is a retired chemical engineer and project manager. Jerry is a retired teacher and psychotherapist. Their children are Andrea and husband Darren Barbee of Pearland, Texas and Chris Jares and partner Carlos Lourenzo of Los Angeles, California. Their two granddaughters are Sophia and Katya Barbee. I would like to add, that they are held in high regard by our organization, the CPAAA and COP. They unselfishly give of themselves to this community; and we congratulate them on their long lives together.

Below: September 6th, the first BHS Home Football Game Parking Assignment at Cub Stadium. Can you see any difference from last year? That’s Capt. Powell (Rt) assisting COPs with the assignment; something new!







## “Gilly” Reunites with Officer who Saved Him

Back in June **Officer Richelle Taylor** responded to a call about a small pup here in town. He was a tiny 5 pounds, and in poor health. After undergoing veterinary care and a lot of TLC this little pup got stronger, and was able to go for adoption. About the time he was ready for adoption we were contacted by a volunteer who was looking for a lab because her dog had passed away. We talked her into taking a look at this guy, we knew she'd be a good fit for him! He is thriving in his new home, his name is Gilly, and he is always decked out in A&M gear! The vet says Gilly could grow to be 100 pounds! It's hard to imagine knowing how tiny he was when he arrived at the shelter.

**Thank you for Officer Taylor and to Gilly's adopters for making it all possible!**



By Jerry Jares

Actually, Puppy Mills affect everyone; probably in ways that will surprise you. Puppy and kitten mills are commercial breeding facilities that churn out an amazing number of puppies and kittens to the unsuspecting public. The owners breed the females every time they come into season (starting at 6 months). Multiple animals are kept in doggie hutches that are about the size of a dog crate. The dogs never leave the wire kennels; without healthy food, clean water or vet care.

### What the Foster Groups Find

The animals from commercial breeding facilities often exhibit PTSD (Post-traumatic stress disorder); constantly pacing their cages, fearful of humans, anxious in new situations. Since breeders ignore pet illnesses or injuries, these animals often need extensive vet care to survive.

### How This Affects You as a Consumer

As a consumer, you expect that the animal you purchase will be healthy, have good bloodlines, and give you years of friendship and love. None of these items are guaranteed from a puppy or kitten mill. The animals are often riddled with genetic defects that require veterinary care.

### How Can I Avoid Purchasing One of These?

The consumer must pay attention. Puppy mills often sell to pet stores, through newspaper ads or websites. Texas has at least 135 puppy mills (see a map: <https://bailingoutbenji.com/puppy-mill-maps/#Texas>). Meet the parents of the puppy you want to buy. The best way to avoid this industry is by adopting your next furball from a rescue or shelter. Use <http://petfinder.org> to locate your next furry friend.

### Is There Anything Else I Can Do?

Awareness of the problem is part of the answer to eliminating puppy & kitten mills. Tell others about the problem. Join like-minded individuals: <https://www.awarenessday.org/>. On this same site, you can donate your vehicle, boat, used phone or smartphone. They use the donated funds for vet services (all workers are volunteers). Through your actions, you can become part of the solution.

### What is Puppy Mill Awareness Day?

From the web site <https://www.pmadtx.org/>, "Puppy Mill Awareness Day is a day dedicated to celebrating the lives of dogs who have survived a horrible experience and those people and organizations that dedicate their time, energy, and resources to reducing abuse and neglect that is associated with the commercialization of dog breeding. Making people aware that Puppy Mills do exist in all shapes and sizes and the awful things that happen to these animals as a result of their existence. PMADTX brings together Central Texas Rescue Groups and supporting organizations in an event setting open to the public to help educate as well as assist people in their search for that wonderful addition to their family."

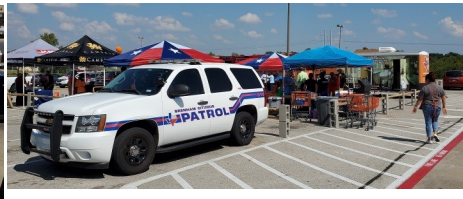
***Puppy Mill Awareness Day was celebrated in Austin on Sunday, September 29th***





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On September 28th the youth of Brenham got an opportunity to “go fishin’”. Most were first-time anglers and had never been fishing before; so Police and Fire personnel were on hand to assist them. Also on hand, the Game Warden, Aquatic Center employees and BHS Anglers Club. COPs printed 75 children that day.



Left: Unit 121 has 100,000 miles on it.

**Thanks Tex!**

Above: COP Lt. and BFD Asst. Fire Chief **Rob Aguilar** was named The Central Texas Fireman's and Fire Marshals Association Firefighter of the Year at their 166th Semi Annual Convention held in Burton on Sept. 15th.

**Home Depot Fingerprint Team:** Wanda, Sue, Dorothy and Annette!

## BFD's Bucket Brigade presents "Halloween at the Fire Station" (at Krause Elem.)



Above: E-911 reps Danielle Engstrom, Kristi Stamnes, Kristy Thomas. Below - the same three. Kristi, Kristy and Danielle !



The BFD gave away a free Bike at every performance this year. At Krause Elem., Keshawn was the lucky winner; pictured with the plays' performers from BFD.

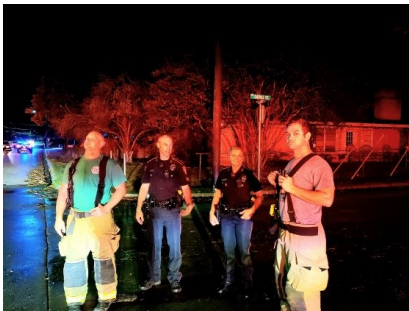




Above Left: The tallest man in the world or the shortest utility pole? It's the shortest utility pole after being struck by an SUV, but still standing. That's Jason Lange, all 5'9" of him! Above right: Brenham Utility workers Billy Bender and Jason Lange start to work on restoring power to the 2300 block of S. Market.



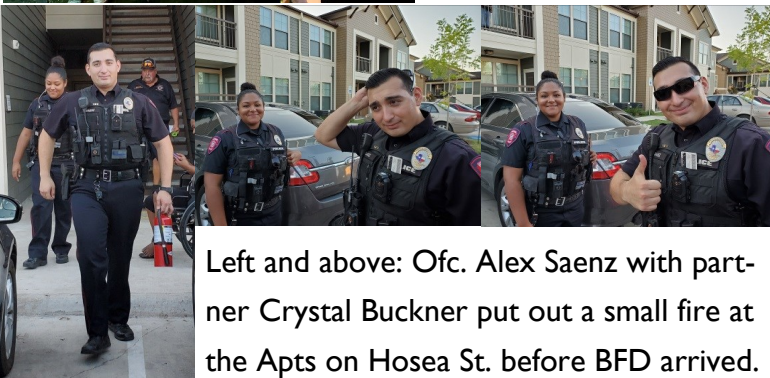
Above: At the same incident on S. Market St., Sgt. Steven Eilert and Ofc. Andrea Norton discussing who will give the Field Sobriety Test to the driver of the black SUV. The SUV narrowly missed hitting the house in the background.



Left: FF Matt Janner, Cpl. David Dudenhoeffer, Ofc. Tina Bruno and FF Cody Burge at the scene of a powerline arcing on E. Academy St.

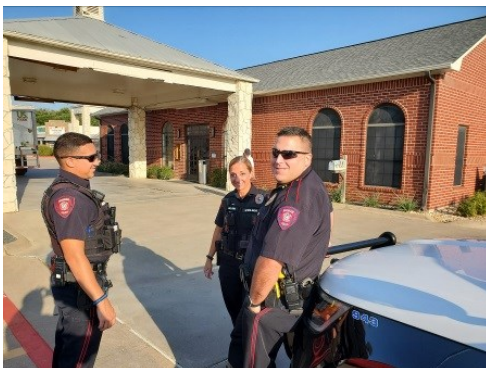


Left: Lt. Kelvin Raven resetting the alarm system at BSSLC, after he counselled the person that pulled the alarm box for the 5th time that particular night.



Left and above: Ofc. Alex Saenz with partner Crystal Buckner put out a small fire at the Apts on Hosea St. before BFD arrived.

Rt: Cpl. David Dudenhoeffer and Ofc. Armando Guerra directing traffic at Brenham Elementary.



Left: Ofc. Eddie Martinez, Ofc. Richelle Taylor and Lt. Curtiss Schoen at the scene of a truck vs bldg. at Best Western Hotel.

Below: Tex Davis with traffic control on Hwy 290 West at cement truck fire scene.



**High Fives All Around !!**



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### Halloween Candy Drive Thru

Each year the CPAAA sponsors a Candy Drive Thru at Max Donuts on Halloween night. Come early (5 pm or so) to enjoy hotdogs, sausage and chips. Wear your favorite costume (No scary clowns please)! We will be collecting candy to hand out at the Candy Drive-thru. You can bring it that night or to the General Meeting or drop off anytime at Max Donuts. Hope to see everyone there!

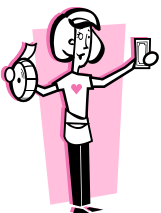


**FUNDRAISER INFO:** The deadline to return all unsold tickets and/or money is Oct. 31st. You can turn in tickets or money to Annette Tiemann (or at the Halloween Drive Thru)

Get your tickets for the CPAAA Fall Fundraiser!!!

ALL CPAAA members are encouraged to sell tickets for the Chicken & Sausage Drive-thru Dinner which will be held on NOV 4th, 4:30-6:30 p.m. at the Fireman's Training Center.

Tickets can be picked up or purchased (\$10.00 each) at the Brenham Police Department, Brenham Fire Department, Max Donuts, or any CPAAA member.



**Thank You!**

