

# League City Citizens Police Academy Alumni Association

October 2016

September Volunteer Hours 58 = \$1,456.38

### **LCCPAAA Host Region One Meeting for October**



Ofc. Pena giving presentation to Region One members

It was LCCPAAA turn to host a Region One meeting. We invited Ofc. Reagan Pena of LCPD to be our speaker. Her topic was Media Relations. Thank you Ofc. Pena for your time, and support of the Alumni.





### **October Monthly Meeting**

Alumni members enjoyed a great presentation from Fire Marshall Tommy Cones at the October monthly meeting. Fire Marshall Cones gave a great presentation on the history of the fire department and gave members insight into the duties of a Fire Marshall. During the meeting, LCCPAAA President Walt Lovercheck presented Ofc. Reagan Pena with the Honorary Alumni Member Award.



LCCPAAA President Walt Lovercheck presenting special award to Ofc. Reagan Pena.

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## September 2016 Officer of the Month

#### **Detective Marty Grant**

Originally from Belfast, Northern Ireland Detective Marty Grant moved to the United States in 1983 and became a U.S. citizen in 1990. He has been with the League City Police Department since 1990. Detective Grant is currently assigned to the Criminal Investigation Division where he investigates crimes against children and women. Detective Grant and his wife, Kathy, have been married for 17 years and have a 15yo son, who is a cancer survivor, and a 14yo daughter.

"Detective Marty Grant has a strong reputation for investigating serious cases. In the past nine months, Marty has applied that same tenacity and commitment towards advocating a recent overhaul of health insurance benefits not only for his coworkers at the police department, but all League City employees and families. Marty devoted a great deal of time and energy into compiling information on issues with the health coverage and worked hard to see it improved. Marty's efforts were the driving force in bringing to light a serious issue for coworkers and without his work, these positive changes could not have been accomplished." Sgt C. Skendziel, President, LCPOA



"I have always been a member of the LCPOA as I am a firm believer in strength through representation. I ran for the Vice President position in 2016 because of what I thought was the unfair way all of the city employees were being treated in regards to their benefits. I decided that we, as an association, had to fight for our rights as employees. In the past employee benefits have always been good, but in 2015 the program took a decided turn for the worst. With the support from all City Employees we were able to obtain a better insurance package for 2016. By working with City Council who not only listened to our complaint, but acted on those complaints and fixed the problem. It was a long, tiring road but we got there in the end. Strength in numbers and wrongs can be corrected." Det Marty Grant, Vice President, LCPOA

For his service and dedication to the LCPOA, LCPD and the whole of City of League City, Detective Grant was presented a plaque and a gift at the Alumni general meeting on Thursday, September 8th. To learn more about the League City Citizens Police Academy and the Alumni Association visit us at lccpaaa.org or on Facebook. September's program cosponsored by Awards of Distinction and Kemah Boardwalk.



### **October 2016 Officer of the Month**

#### **Officer Ross Haunschild**

I am a native Texan, and spent my juvenile years growing up in Texas City, TX. I have an older brother, and two older stepsisters. My brother started the tradition of law enforcement within our family in 1999, and is still leading that tradition at Texas City Police Department. I began my law enforcement career at Galveston County Sheriff's Office in 2001. I pursued a career with the League City Police Department as a Police Service Technician in December 2006, and was ultimately hired as a Police Officer in May of 2008. Since hired I have served on night watch Patrol, Traffic Division, and I am currently back on day watch Patrol. My duties include Patrol, Combined Agency Response Team (CART), Bike Patrol, Field Training Officer, Instructor, and I teach the SWAT portion of the League City Citizens Police Academy. I take great pride and ownership in being a League City Police Officer.

I got behind the vehicle as it exited the parking lot and stopped it for a traffic violation. After identifying the driver I noticed signs of methamphetamine abuse on his hands and face. The driver was detained for a warrant, and the front passenger female was identified. The vehicle was not owned by either one of the occupants and I asked the driver for consent to search the vehicle for possible narcotics. The driver declined to allow me to search the vehicle, and I believed that there were narcotics inside of the car so Officer Cox and his narcotic detecting K9 Pako were called to the scene. A positive alert was detected on the trunk area, and a search of the vehicle ensued. 2 ounces of methamphetamine were recovered from bag in the trunk, along with over \$1700 in cash. A pistol was recovered from underneath the front driver's seat, and the interrogation lead me to believe that all of the items recovered were the driver's. The driver was charged with possession of a controlled substance with the intent to deliver and unlawfully carrying a weapon. The front passenger was found to be in possession of stolen checks, and was subsequently charged with possession of identifying information.

The second incident mentioned was also selective enforcement off of a tip from another officer. The suspect in question was distributing narcotics out of a local apartment complex, and wanted for felony Assault. I located the suspect vehicle and the wanted subject leaving the apartment in a black truck. I got behind the vehicle and attempted to stop the suspect vehicle while southbound on Walker St. The suspect was observed frantically eating something, and washing it down with a drink. The suspect circled the parking lot of a local business until he felt that he had destroyed all of his evidence. The suspect was taken into custody for the warrants and some innovative evidence processing by Detective Gonzales and myself discovered that the suspect was indeed handling methamphetamine just prior to the stop. The suspect was ultimately charged with evading arrest in a vehicle.

For his service, Officer Haunschild was presented a plaque and a gift at the Alumni general meeting on Thursday, October 13th. To learn more about the League City Citizens Police Academy and the Alumni Association visit us at lccpaaa.org or on Facebook. September's program cosponsored by Awards of Distinction and Kemah Boardwalk.

