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Hamminga's Rant

ttention, Attention read all about it! We have been super busy lately with a bunch of really exciting things happening. Just a quick recap of April: CPA Class 40 and I had a great time on our recent field trip to the Brazoria County Jail, however, due to the recent storms, the power was out so we did not get the opportunity to eat what the prisoners refer to as "food" that the inmates cooked themselves specially for the police and their closest of friends! Can we say "police special" anyone!? Also, on April 23rd we had a fantastic turnout at the 20th anniversary photo op. We had a huge turnout which is a tribute to everyone doing their diligence in helping get the word out. The picture turned out better than we could have ever expected. Believe it or not, the weather was even decent. See page 10 for more information about the photo op.

After the 20th anniversary picture, Class 40 was treated to a special presentation by DPS Sgt. Cummings. Sgt. Cummings did a fantastic job in illustrating what DPS does in comparison to a local PD like Pearland. He definitely opened my eyes to the things that DPS does for this great State. With that being said, after hearing about their required border duty and schedules that rotate from night shift to day shift every month, I am so glad to work for Pearland PD!

Please do not forget that the 11th annual Pear Run is only days away on May 9th! Things are looking great for yet another successful run. Thanks to Sgt. Dunham and his team of officers that are running in this event, we are expecting a nice turnout of officers this year. The Pear Run Committee has also introduced some cool new things to the event this year. There will be a huge new inflatable finish line this year and a new custom made Pear Guy to meet and greet the runners!

Do not forget that Police Week is the week of May 11th through 15th. As always, the Awards Banquet Committee would like to encourage everyone to attend the annual awards banquet on Thursday May 14th at 7:00pm. This year the event will be held at The Promenade Event Center which is located at 1850 Broadway in Pearland. I look forward to seeing which officers, civilian staff and PCPAAA member will be honored this year.

As you can see, we have a bunch of big things coming up in the next few weeks. After the big crunch, hopefully we will all get a chance to catch our respective breaths before things kick off again and we start this stuff all over again! Thank you all for your hard work in all that you do. With all of the negative police content in the media, I just wish they could see all of the outstanding things that our officers, support staff and volunteers do on a daily basis.



# Billy's Brouhaha

Wow, May is already here! You know what that means? The 11<sup>th</sup> Annual Pear Run is only days away! Before I get into that though, I want to discuss a few other topics.

Special thanks goes out to Cindi Sabzevari, Joe Watkins, Cheryl Weaver, Paul Chimenti, Pam McDonald and Stacey Glaesmann for representing the PCPAAA at the Pearland Crawfish Festival this year. It was an interesting time to say the least. My shoes are still covered in mud! We may not have signed up very many runners for the Pear Run but, we did promote our brand and had some fun in the process.

I think there were easily 150+ past and present members who showed up on Thursday, April 23 for the 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary picture. It was good to see so many members who took the time to come out and participate in such a memorable event. I even had the pleasure of meeting one of the graduates from Class 1 who still had his original hat from 20 years ago.

In 1962, President John F. Kennedy signed a proclamation which designated May 15<sup>th</sup> as Peace Officers Memorial Day and the week in which that date falls as Police Week. National Police Week draws in between 25,000 to 40,000 attendees. The attendees come from departments throughout the United States as well from agencies throughout the world. Each year the PCPAAA has donated funds which allows our Honor Guard to participate by sending members to take part in the various activities in Washington D.C., as well as in Austin, TX. Police week is also when the Pearland Police Department holds its Annual Police Banquet honoring the men and women of the department in addition to honoring the PCPAAA's Volunteer of the Year. This year's Nominees were Cheryl Weaver and Bob Fawcett. Both Cheryl and Bob are deserving of this honor and at the last General Membership meeting they were voted on by their peers. The winner will be announced at the upcoming Police Banquet to be held on Thursday, May 14. More information to follow as to the venue, etc.

The 2015 Pear Run is literally days away. We can't rest just yet. Packet pick-up will take place May 5-7 (Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday) at Wild Pear Running from 2 to 7pm each day. Race day is Saturday, May 9 at the Pearland Town Center beginning at 7am. If you are available and would like to volunteer please reach out to Cheryl Weaver, the volunteer coordinator for this year's Pear Run. She can be reached via email at ceew61@yahoo.com or by phone at 832-425-4964. This is a call for all hands on deck. Typically we need at a minimum, 50 members to help ensure a successful event. Come out and see some of the new and exciting "surprises" that will be introduced this year. The Pear Run committee has been busy and I would like to personally say thanks to all of them for all the dedication and commitment they have demonstrated so that once again the Pear Run is something that we all can be proud of. In closing, I have a simple challenge for each of you: Speak up, participate and most important of all, endeavor to make a difference!



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#### HANDICAP ENFORCEMENT PROGRAM

Month	Issued	Paid	Total \$	Avg. per Fine	Month	Issued	Paid	Total \$	Avg. per Fine
Jan	762	191	\$54,327.90	\$284.44	Jan-15	49	9	\$3,487.80	\$387.53
Feb	736	209	\$65,246.80	\$312.19	Feb-15	62	8	\$6,182.40	\$772.80
Mar	698	177	\$54,342.75	\$307.02	Mar-15	33	10	\$5,774.00	\$577.40
Apr	630	174	\$52,110.90	\$299.49	Apr-15				
May	634	185	\$51,956.00	\$280.84	May-15				
Jun	696	175	\$42,763.30	\$244.36	Jun-15				
Jul	645	199	\$48,052.90	\$241.47	Jul-15				
Aug	856	186	\$46,938.90	\$252.36	Aug-15				
Sep	634	147	\$39,058.30	\$265.70	Sep-15				
Oct	695	158	\$37,500.50	\$237.34	Oct-15				
Nov	686	147	\$37,609.10	\$255.84	Nov-15				
Dec	0	0	\$33,010.60		Dec-15				
PTD	7672	1948	\$562,917.95	\$288.97	YTD To- tal	144	27	\$15,444.20	\$572.01



Tip of the month: Please continue to maintain a professional demeanor with the citizens that you come into contact with. It is imperative that we continue to maintain good relationships with the public as well as other city employees. We do not want to do anything that would cast a negative light on this outstanding program.

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To all 100 Club non-members, I urge you to join this great organization. We are in desperate need of new members so that we can continue to provide life insurance to all of our Pearland Police Officers. If you would like to join as a member or to simply donate, you can now visit <u>100clubofpearland.com</u> and pay online! All donations and membership dues are **100% tax deductible**. Join now!



-Mike Vavricka



### **Freeze! Police! Mark Your Calendar**

CPA Class 40 Graduation Pear Run Police Awards Banquet PCPAAA General Meeting

May (th
May 9th
May 14th
May 18th

7:00pm 7:00am 7:00pm 7:00pm

CLUB OF PEARLAND

A special thanks goes out to the following businesses: Pena's Donut Heaven for donating treats for CPA class night



#### **The Pearland Police Department**

#### Purpose

The Pearland Police Department is responsible for enforcement of all local, State and Federal laws within its jurisdiction. The goal of the department is to prevent crime and disorder and maintain the quality of life by providing a safe and peaceful environment within the City of Pearland for all its residents. The department provides 24-hour protection to the citizens of Pearland and responds to more than 39,000 calls for service per year.

#### **Mission Statement**

The mission of the Pearland Police Department is to provide professional service to the community and develop citizen partnerships to work together to enforce laws, reduce fear and positively impact the quality of life in Pearland.



JC Doyle Chief of Police



### A Special Thanks to SWAT!



On a quiet, warm Thursday night in April 9th at approximately 2115 hours, a standoff took place in the 2500 block of Cullen Parkway. Two armed subjects took their employers hostage after being terminated earlier that day. While things looked bleak for the hostages, Pearland PD Negotiator Chad Rogers made contact with the female subject who surrendered and was taken into custody with relative peace. The second armed subject refused to negotiate and made the decision to raise his handgun and pointed it in one of the victim's direction. Two snipers perched nearby were forced to take the suspect down





with gunfire. As usual, the SWAT Team comes to the rescue yet once again but this time it was in helping provide an unforgettable experience for CPA Class 40! Lt. Pat Savage arranged for the SWAT guys to do a mock standoff scenario to give the students of Class 40 a front row opportunity to see some of Pearland's finest in action. While no one was actually wounded or killed, the only real casualty was our hearing with the very real flash bangs that were used to subdue the mock assailants! A special thanks goes out to all of you guys who made this an unforgettable experience.



## ATTENTION



Along with the many new changes in The Rap Sheet this month, you may see some of these funny looking QR code boxes throughout the newsletter!

#### What is a QR code you ask?

It is a new generation of bar codes that are made to give users quick access to web links. In *The Rap Sheet*, you can scan these QR codes, and they will take you straight to pearlandpd.gov, pcpaaa.com, the PD training site and the 100 Club of Pearland.

### How can you start using these QR codes?

You can simply search for "bar code reader" in your app store and download a FREE version of the application. This is available for most Smart Phone and tablet devices.

#### Why should you use the QR codes?

Well, for one, it's super simple. Two, it's there, so "Why *not* use it?" is the real question!

#### HOW WELL DO YOU KNOW YOUR PD?

- 1. The next officer in line to be promoted to CID.
- 2. America's missing person broadcast emergency response.
- 3. He currently works dayshift patrol but will now be our new full time lobby officer.
- 4. The acronym for personally owned vehicle.
- 5. Officer \_\_\_\_\_\_ currently works D-Squad late side patrol, speaks Spanish and is a new member of the bike patrol team.
- 6. This Officer has a PhD!
- 7. When a person has not appeared for a scheduled court hearing.
- 8. The officer responsible for writing the report.
- 9. He works A-Squad patrol, is an FTO and has been an Officer for approximately 8.5 years.
- 10. \_\_\_\_\_ was a PCPAAA Board Member and is now a patrol officer who has finished her FTO program!

### **Pearland PD Word Search**

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K	K	I	A	Ε	0	U	A	Q	G	K	Ε	I	R	т
Z	Q	S	Е	Z	G	Ρ	М	J	С	R	Y	Y	I	F
Ρ	Y	A	Q	С	Ν	W	0	Z	Ν	I	A	K	М	т
J	L	D	М	K	J	0	J	F	W	J	Q	W	A	Q
V	Y	Ε	Y	Q	Ν	Ε	G	R	Q	J	R	Т	R	В
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#### Remembering A Man That Dedicated His Life to Public Service



To lose any part of the family is a very difficult thing to do, but remembering a man that dedicated nearly half of his life to protecting the innocent is even harder. On March 26, 2015 at the age of 83, Robert H. "Bob" Walter passed away with his loving wife Karen by his bed side. "Bob" as his friends lovingly referred to him as, joined the United States Army in 1952. After being honorably discharged in 1958, he moved back home to the Houston area where he grew up. After graduating from the Pasadena Police Academy in 1963, he served the Citizens of Pasadena until 1966. Bob then went to work for the South Houston Police Department for the next 5 years

before coming to work for the place where he would eventually retire from. After dedicating nearly 40 years of service as a Police Officer, Lt. Walter retired at the rank of Lieutenant from Pearland PD in 1998. Lt. Walter was a man of great integrity and was clearly driven by his desire to serve the citizens who he called neighbors, friends and of course family. Lt. Walter was laid to rest on Monday March 30, 2015 at the South Park Funeral home in Pearland. Although many of us were not fortunate enough to get to know you, be proud that your name can still be heard whispered in the halls of the Pearland Police Department Lieutenant Walter. You will be missed but never forgotten!

Story Written By: Officer Daniel Hamminga



The 20th Anniversary photoshoot was huge success thanks your participation and help. This event would not have been possible without the dedication and hard work of everyone involved in this project. Through this collaborative effort, we were able to get approximately 140 people to come together to forever memorialize this epic milestone in the Pearland Police Department's history. We had several past students dating back as early as CPA Class 1! It was incredible to see representatives from every class in the 20 years of this program. It was great to see all of these familiar faces and to meet some folks that many of us had never before met. We will be unveiling the "Anniversary Pic" at the graduation ceremony of May 7th. Take my word for it, it looks awesome!





#### Interdiction: Using Psychology to Weed Out Drugs

The term *interdiction* is of military origin and is defined as "The act of delaying, disrupting, or destroying enemy forces or supplies en route to the battle area. A distinction is often made between strategic and tactical interdiction. The former refers to operations whose effects are broad and long-term; tactical operations are designed to affect events rapidly and in a localized area." (Source: *PoliceOne.com*)

Basically, interdiction, in a local sense, is watching for patterns of driving behavior and body language to ascertain the probability of a person or persons transporting drugs in a vehicle. I laughingly call it "Vehicle Voodoo," but the interdiction training our Officers receive is not magic; it's psychology.

Think about this scenario: You're a drug "mule" transporting several pounds of marijuana from your supplier to the distributor. You've gone through a lot of trouble hiding your stash and there's pressure from both sides to get your product delivered. There could be serious consequences if you mess up. You're driving up Highway 288, when you go over a hill and see a cop sitting there on the side of the road. What do you do?

Those of us who aren't transporting drugs probably do a couple of habitual things when we see the police. We may take our foot off of the gas or hit the brake to slow down, even if we are not speeding. We may look in our rearview mirrors to make sure the police car isn't starting to follow us. These behaviors are typical. Most people do them. What the cop is looking for are *atypical* behaviors that arouse suspicion. These suspicious behaviors do not indicate 100% that someone is transporting drugs; there are many other things that may cause a person to drive unusually. It may be nothing, but it may be *something*.

Let's get back to the drug mule. When a person is knowingly committing a crime in a vehicle, there are some "typical" behaviors to look out for. It's really no different than questioning someone and looking for deception markers. The driver may change lanes to distance himself from the police car just like an individual may back away from an officer when being questioned. Sometimes, two cars travel together. Usually this involves a "lower-level" person driving the drugs and a "higher-level" person driving behind the first. The second car will often come up close to the first occasionally to check and see if everything is all right. This is the same principle as the suspect who always touches his concealed gun to make sure it's still there; it's a subconscious act. (Source: *Police Magazine*)



# Keep on Training!



By now, many of you have heard that the State's agency overlooking law enforcement standards has been renamed! TCLOSE, the Texas Commission on Law Enforcement Officer Standards and Education is now TCOLE, the Texas Commission on Law Enforcement. This change does not mean that you don't need to train and educate yourselves! Remember to keep up with your certification progress and work toward the next level. You can log on to TCOLE and access your records at http://www.tcole.texas.gov. Click on "Login to MyTCOLE Account."



3257	<u>Combo Asset Forfeiture/</u> <u>Racial Profiling</u> (8Hrs)	5/5/15	8 a.m.	\$20
2054	Basic Radar Operations (8Hrs)	5/7/15	8 a.m.	\$20
3841	<u>Crisis Intervention Train-</u> ing ICC (16 Hrs)	5/12/15	8 a.m.	\$40
2055	<u>Firearms Rifle Tactics</u> (4Hrs)	5/21/15	8 a.m.	\$20
2055	<u>Firearms Rifle Tactics</u> (4Hrs)	5/21/15	1 p.m.	\$20
3812	<u>TDD / TTY</u> (4Hrs)	5/26/15	8 a.m.	\$20
3812	<u>TDD / TTY</u> (4Hrs)	5/28/15	8 a.m.	\$20
	<u>Mandatory Training</u> <u>Week (PPD Only)</u> (24Hrs)	6/9/15	8 a.m.	N/A
3277	Identity Crimes (3Hrs)	6/16/15	8 a.m.	\$20
3277	Identity Crimes (3Hrs)	6/16/15	8 a.m.	\$20
2055	Firearms (PPD Only)	6/22/15	ТВА	N/A

For questions regarding upcoming training, please contact the Training Coordinator Det. Bort or call 281.997.4135





# Condustriations Dr. Zenaida Davis-Wood



Attention loyal Rap Sheet readers!!! The Pearland Police Department's very own Officer Zenaida Davis-Wood just officially became Doctor-Officer Z. Davis-Wood! After a long journey of higher education that began at Syracuse University now comes to a very distinct conclusion with a PhD in Counselor Education from Texas Southern University. It takes a special person with great drive and focus to achieve such a rare distinction! You have shown the outside world that police officers are more than just a bunch of gun toting, type A personality having, bossy men and women. We apparently are also capable of great achievements on the educational front! The entire Pearland Police Department congratulates you this huge on accomplishment.

Is it just me or does anyone else want to see her make a traffic stop and say "Hello, my name is Dr. Davis-Wood with the Pearland Police Department, may I see your license and proof of insurance?" I would just like to see the look on the violators face when they realize they are being stopped by Pearland PD's very own Doc! Congratulations Doctor Z!













Officer Travis Hogarth Cadet Alexander Watkins Cadet Douglas Johnson Cadet Felix Williams

Pearland PD continues to hire new officers and cadets to keep up with the growing demand of our city! We are proud to welcome these four newest members of the Pearland Police Department family. The three new cadets will start the Pasadena Police Academy early May and Officer Hogarth has already begun his field training program. Officer Hogarth was the only one of the new members that already completed the police academy prior to starting. All of these young men seem to be very enthusiastic and eager to get their careers started with our fine department! We sincerely welcome each and every one of you.



ABOVE AND BEYOND Quarterly Award. An officer will be elected by his or her peers for going above and beyond the call of duty of normal business during his or her off-duty time. For example, involvement in a non-profit organization, a community outreach or some other act of giving back to the community in volunteering of their time in representing good stewardship of the badge worn and serving the community. The captain will email the lieutenants to ask for recommendations from the officers and will report back to the captain. The captain will take recommendations to a monthly meeting and will exclude the nominated officers' names to avoid bias. At the meeting, one officer will be chosen and the captain will report to the 100 Club of Pearland. The captain will assist the 100 Club to set up a time suitable for the officer his or her supervisor, captain, chief and the 100 Club to make a presentation of the Above and Beyond Certificate and a gift certificate in the amount of \$100.00. This award applies only if an officer has been selected. If no officer qualifies, then the award will not be given that quarter.