



The Rap Sheet

Pearland Police Department



NEWS

Class 41 Graduates!



STORIES

New Officers Sworn In



REMEMBER



PCPAAA Christmas Party Reminder

CPA Class 41 Graduation Ceremony



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. Assistant Chief Spires will email the Lieutenants to ask for recommendations from the officers and will report back to the Chief. Then Chief Spires 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 Chief Spires will report to the 100 Club of Pearland. A convenient time will be set up 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. The term "Officer" applies to any and all sworn officers of the Pearland Police Department excluding only the Chief of Police and Assistant Chief of Police.

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Officer Claus

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Hamminga's Rant



Merry Christmas, Happy Holidays, Feliz Navidad & Happy Hanukkah, everyone! This is by far my favorite time of year, because the weather is crisp, there are decorations everywhere and everyone just seems a bit more cheerful! Aside from

just plain enjoying this time of year, I also really enjoy the Toys for Tots Drive that the PD and PCPAAA put together each year. This year, the Toys for Tots Basketball Tournament will be held on Saturday December 12th, at 2pm at the Pearland Rec Center. There is a rear entrance to the building is where we will have all of the spectators and participants park and enter the game. This entrance should work out well as long as we all remember to use it.

For those of you who attended the Toys for Tots Basketball Game last year, you know that I was the in-game announcer which was a lot of fun. I took a page out of Sgt. Roy Castillo's book and used my friendships with the players to make light of poor shot selections and in-game miscues! This year will be no different, I will once again be the voice of the game so come out and get a few laughs. Officer Corey Gray better continue to hit those long, normally ill-advised shots like last year or else!

As we all close in on 2016, the Community Services Division will be undergoing some really positive changes in philosophy. This Division will have more of an emphasis on proactive crime prevention. Lt. Lopez has shared with us a few

new goals that our administration has approved for the direction of this division. The new programs include continuing the new Junior CPA, starting a Youth Advisory Council, introducing an Alzheimer's Alert Program, better utilizing social media to apprehend "Pearland's Most Wanted" criminals, as well as doing more community events such as "Coffee with Cops." Although these are just a few examples of the new programs that are going to be phased in, we are all very excited to see the direction that this division is headed. I think that the man known as "The Father of Modern Policing," Sir Robert Peel, would be very proud of our new proactive movement!

I would also like to congratulate all of the new PCPAAA Board Members on their new and exciting positions for 2016. It is always great to see new fresh faces on the Board each year, but it is bitter sweet since the 2015 Board has accomplished so much. I know that the PCPAAA will forever be in great hands because of the outstanding volunteers that you have.

Let me also not forget to congratulate CPA Class 41 for graduating from this extraordinary program on Thursday, November 5th. Having spent 14 weeks with you all really gives me an extra dose of appreciation for your commitment to your community!

Before I conclude the final edition of The Rap Sheet for 2015, I would like to thank each and everyone of you for yet another outstanding year of service. You all exemplify what team work and comradery are all about!



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Billy's Brouhaha

Let the countdown begin! Only 23 days till the man in red visits us all and hopefully, leaves behind some gifts! For those of you who missed the November General Membership, the association elected its slate of Officers and Directors for 2016. Congratulations to the following on their selection:

President	Bob Fawcett
1st Vice President	Cindy Bilyeu
2nd Vice President	David Miller
Secretary	Larry Berkowitz
Treasurer	Dennis Frings
Director	Charles "Chuck" Emmerich
Director	Stacey Glaesmann
Director	Shelia McCoy
Director	Dee Wyman

They will be installed at the January General Membership meeting to take place on Monday, January 18th.

The month of December is one of our busiest times of year when it comes to Volunteer Activities. Below is a listing of the upcoming events: **Wednesday, December 2 – 5th, Annual Tree Lighting Ceremony** at the Police Department – 6:30 p.m. at the 2nd Floor Lobby; **Friday, December 4 – Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony** – Contact Mike Vavricka if interested at (713) 582-1730; **Saturday, December 5 – City of Pearland Christmas Parade** – Contact Larry Berkowitz if interested at (832) 370-9258; **Thursday, December 10 – New Officer Swearing in at the Police Department** – 9:00 a.m. in the Roll Call Room; **Saturday, December 12 – Toys for Tots Basketball Game** – Pearland Recreation Center beginning at 2:00 p.m.; **Saturday, December 12 – PCPAAA Holiday Dinner** – Hilton Garden Inn beginning at 6:30 p.m.; **Sunday, December 13 – Gun Raffle Ticket Sales** – Bass Pro Shop from 10:00 a.m. till 3:00 p.m.; **Saturday,**

December 19 – Gun Raffle Ticket Sales and Drawing – Bass Pro Shop beginning at 10:00 a.m. with the drawing being held at 3:00 p.m.

As you can see from above, the month is a busy one for us with plenty of opportunities to come out and support the Alumni and the men and women in blue.

Well, it seems like only yesterday I was raising my right hand and being sworn in as President of the PCPAAA. I guess it is true, time flies when you're having fun! 2015 was special year for me and the organization. We celebrated our 20th Anniversary, and I got married. Now in all fairness Chris and I have been together for 12 years, we just decided to make it official. I want to say thank you to each and every one of you for your dedication and support of the PCPAAA this year. We set a new record for a single cash grant to the Police Department in the amount of \$16,000 for their 8 new Police bikes. We had another successful Pear Run and from the looks of it, the Gun Raffle is on track to record record numbers this year.

I have served this organization as Treasurer for 4 years and this last year as President. After 5 years of being on the board in one capacity or another I have to admit that I am looking forward to just being a "member". It is my turn to sit in the back and just be! In all honesty, I have enjoyed every single minute of it. I have met and continue to meet outstanding individuals who share a common goal and want only the best for our men and women in uniform.

As a soldier, one of the greatest compliments one could give another is, "I would gladly follow you into battle." So lets modify that a little and simply say, "I would gladly direct traffic with any of you."



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	683	183	\$55,683.90	\$304.28	Apr-15	53	9	\$3,573.00	\$397.00
May	658	192	\$56,723.90	\$295.44	May-15	24	7	\$4,767.90	\$681.13
Jun	731	181	\$44,159.60	\$243.98	Jun-15	35	6	\$1,396.30	\$232.72
Jul	716	201	\$49,374.20	\$245.64	Jul-15	71	2	\$1,321.30	\$660.65
Aug	899	189	\$48,705.90	\$257.70	Aug-15	43	3	\$1,767.00	\$589.00
Sep	706	155	\$42,763.30	\$275.89	Sep-15	72	8	\$3,705.00	\$463.13
Oct	730	161	\$40,311.83	\$250.38	Oct-15	35	3	\$2,811.33	\$937.11
Nov	715	150	\$39,315.10	\$262.10	Nov-15	29	3	\$1,706.00	\$568.67
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Tip of the month: As the weather turns a bit more unpredictable this time of year, please be aware that handicap parking violators will become more brazen especially as the parking lots fill up with holiday shoppers.

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- ◆ NLETS
- ◆ Simons
- ◆ Juvenile
- ◆ Lopez
- ◆ Pena



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 100clubofpearland.com and pay online! All donations and membership dues are 100% tax deductible. Join now!



-Mike Vavricka



Freeze! Police! Mark Your Calendar

PPD New Hire Test	December 5th	8:00am
Toys for Tots	December 12th	2:00pm
PCPAAA Christmas Banquet	December 12th	6:30pm

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



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Officer Oscar's Op-Ed

My name is Oscar Pena. I am looking forward to my new position as a Community Services Officer with the Pearland Police Department. I know that filling Officer Dan Hamminga's shoes will be a difficult task, both figuratively and literally. It is a challenge that I welcome.

I am married to a beautiful woman, Reagan Pena, who is also a police officer, and currently serves as the Public Information Officer for the League City Police Department. We have three children; ages 14, 6, and 4. Our family enjoys spending time outside and being as active as possible. Reagan and I are doing our best to raise children who will be productive citizens and are grateful for the blessing bestowed upon our family.

As a young boy there were two things I knew I wanted to do when I grew up; one was to be a U.S. Marine, and the next was to be a police officer. In 1992, at 17 years old, I found myself in Marine Corps boot camp just one week after graduating high school. I spent the next four years serving as an infantryman during peacetime where I had a chance to travel and visit about 15 different countries. This is where I first realized how blessed I was to have been born and raised in the U.S.

I started my policing career in 1996 with the League City Police Department where I served in patrol, criminal investigation, bike patrol, marine division, honor guard and as the team leader on SWAT. While assigned to SWAT, I developed friendships with many current Pearland officers. A lot has changed since then. At the time, Johnny Spires was a Corporal, Pat Savage worked for Alvin PD, Roy Castillo was sporting his Saddam Hussein mustache, and Ricky Bort was 4'6" tall. (Daniel Herrera has apparently found the fountain of youth and still looks the same.) I got to know the caliber of officers at Pearland through working with Dennis Gassen, Kevin Nichols, Trae Durant, Karl Fletcher and JP Comer, to name a few. One of the most rewarding assignments I had was serving as the Community Services Officer. This gave me a chance to have positive interaction daily with those I served.

Why would I leave such a great assignment you may ask? Most of you may recall that in 2004 the United States was actively engaged in two wars, Afghanistan and Iraq. My sense of service to my country and community are a very large part of who I am. I wanted to do my part; and I saw a chance to help those who could not or would not help themselves. I joined a private security company as a contractor providing protection to US Diplomats in Baghdad, Iraq. We provided the people of Iraq with fresh water, electrical power, schools and voting centers to exercise their democratic rights. With my own eyes I saw the horrors of war, fallen brothers and bravery under fire. I also saw the joy in the eyes of children who received a toy or a piece of candy. To most it would be nothing but to them it was something to take their minds off of growing up in a war torn country. I learned was that no matter where you go, all anyone really needs or wants is a safe place to raise their families and live their lives.

In 2008 my wife told me I needed to get a real job so I came back and worked at the Pasadena ISD Police Department for a few years. This was a great job where I first met many good people including the incoming PCPAAA president, Bob Fawcett. I come from a family of educators and it gave me a chance to have an inside look at how difficult their jobs are.

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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?

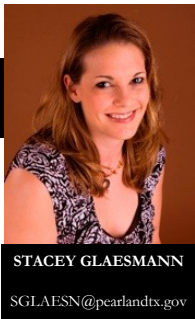
Well, for one, it’s super simple. Two, it’s there, so “Why *not* use it?” is the real question!

HOW WELL DO YOU KNOW YOUR PD?

1. Once again, he is the coordinator for the PD’s Toys for Tots Basketball Game.
2. An ____ refers to failing to appear in Court.
3. This Lieutenant is back and overseeing the Community Services Division.
4. He was selected as the new Community Services Officer.
5. This Officer will be serving as the new Crime Scene Investigator.
6. The National Law Enforcement Telecommunications System.
7. To stop a vehicle for some type of law enforcement objective.
8. The computer aided dispatch system is known as _____.
9. A person under the age of 17 is known as _____.
10. This SRO was recently selected as the #1 candidate for the open CID position.

Pearland PD Word Search

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STACEY GLAESMANN

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New Officers Swearing In Ceremony



For the first time in its history, the Pearland Police Department held a swearing in ceremony Tuesday (Nov. 10) for two new officers that recently graduated from the Pasadena Police Academy.

Ceremonies are traditionally held for promotions and retirement, but this is the first time that new hires were sworn in publicly. This event is usually held behind closed doors in City Hall.

“It’s time to give our new officers a public ceremony,” said Captain Chad Randall. “We are introducing them to policing by providing public scrutiny, doughnuts and coffee,” he joked.

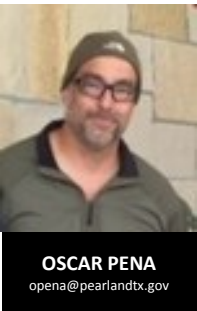
Officers Felix Williams IV and Alexander Watkins took their oaths from Chief J.C. Doyle in front of family, friends and co-workers.

Watkins was pinned by his grandfather. Williams was pinned by his Training Officer from the Academy.

Williams received the “Top Gun” award for the best shooting record in his Academy class as well as the highest grade point average (GPA).

Mayor Tom Reid, City Manager Clay Pearson, Deputy City Manager Jon Branson, Councilman Tony Carbone, Fire Chief Vance Riley and Assistant Fire Chief Daniel Baum were among the City officials in attendance.





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After a few years I had an opportunity to once again work as a private security contractor for the US Government, but in Afghanistan this time. I spent the next couple of years as a supervisor providing security services on the front lines of the war on terror. In Afghanistan I saw and experienced many of the same things I had in Iraq. The war was different but the people were the same in what they wanted; a safe and peaceful place to live their lives.

In 2013, I finished a contract and my wife and I decided it was time to remain in the US for employment. I found myself in Pearland, Texas taking the Civil Service Test. A couple of months later, I was given the opportunity to begin serving the Citizens of Pearland.

I feel very fortunate to be where I am in my career. I think my professional experience has taught me to be grateful for what I have and to seize opportunities to be part of something bigger than myself. I am honored to be an employee of the City of Pearland, living my values of service to others.

With every changing of the guard comes some a fresh perspective. I am encouraged by the strong programs I am inheriting from Dan. Moreover, I am impressed with the support and level of dedication the PCPAAA provides to the men and women of the Pearland Police Department. The organization has a statewide reputation for being at the top of it's game. It will remain my mission to support the good work of these indispensable volunteers.



The Toys for Tots Team hard at work, well at least one group is hard at work! You decide which is which.

PCPAAA ANNUAL CHRISTMAS BANQUET

PLEASE CHECK YOUR ENTRÉE CHOICE

Chicken Cordon Bleu

Herb Crusted New York Strip Steak

Entrée includes:
Salad, Grilled Vegetables, Mashed Potatoes,
Rolls, Iced Tea, Water & Coffee

PLEASE CHECK YOUR DESSERT CHOICE

Crème Brulee Cheesecake

Chocolate & Butter Cream Cake



Hilton Garden Inn
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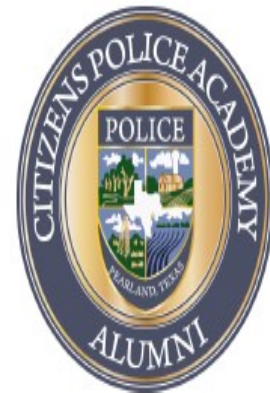
\$15.00 Per Person
Includes Entrée, Beverage and
Dessert and a Fun Time

This is a **non refundable** charge

We need to have all Dinner forms
and money in by December 1st.

Thank You

2015
PCPAAA
Christmas Banquet
DECEMBER 12th



**Pearland Citizens Police
Academy Alumni Association**
2555 Cullen Parkway
Pearland, Tx 77581



PCPAAA ANNUAL CHRISTMAS BANQUET

PCPAAA ANNUAL CHRISTMAS BANQUET



AGENDA

6:30 PM - SOCIAL GATHERING

INVOCATION

7 PM - DINNER

VOLUNTEER HOURLY PINS

RAFFLE

GOOD TIME FOR ALL



PCPAAA ANNUAL CHRISTMAS BANQUET

**Police Officers
Dispatchers,
Jailers, Records,
Ancillary Personnel**
Attend FREE!

Guests and Family
Members are
\$15.00 per person.



CUT HERE AND RETURN THIS PORTION ONLY WITH YOUR CHECK

Member/Officer Name & Guest: _____ Guest name: _____ Phone: _____

Number of CPA Alumni Members (*\$15.00) _____ Number of Guests (\$15.00 each) _____

Officers (No Charge) _____ Number of Guests (\$15.00 each) _____

Amount Paid \$ _____ Cash _____ Check # _____ Date _____

\$ 15.00 per person
Please make checks payable to **PCPAAA**
And please return to **Larry Berkowitz**
832-370-9258
Thank you