

Texas Citizen Police Academy Alumni Association Region One
Minutes
Host – Pearland
Saturday, June 14 2008

1. Call to Order: 10:00 a.m. by President, Calvin Walker
2. Prayer: Region One Chaplin, Norma DeWeese
3. Pledge: Membership
4. Introduction of Speaker: no speaker finalize Convention 09:

Charles went over the solicitation letter and discussion was held on the content of the letter. Discussion was also held on the application form for 2009 convention. If you have a contact person, e-mail the info to Charles so that he can go directly to that person. Several prizes will be offered for early registration 2009. A WW11 plane ride will be grand prize...Asking for items for the goody bags from each local Alumni. Region One would like to have 400 to 500 Alumni attend the 2009 convention. Debbie Smith will look for a sponsor for a tri-fold brochure for the convention. After this year's convention, those Alumni that are involved with the 2009 Convention, need to come up with their budgets. They should also meet with the co-chairs and come up with a thank you gift – either plaque, certificate card etc. for each speaker.

5. Minutes of Previous: Norma DeWeese moved to approve minutes. Motion carried and minutes placed on file. Norma & Lavonne motion to approve March minutes – motion carried and minutes placed on file.
6. Treasurer's Report: Motion made by LaVonne Walker to approve the minutes. Motion carried and report placed on file.
7. Committee Reports:
 - a. Fundraising: shirts still on sale for \$45.00. \$5.00 of that amount goes into scholarship fund. Caps sell for \$10 each. Those funds will also go directly into scholarship fund
 - b. Scholarship: Balance \$2,132.34
8. Birthdays: Margaret Hooper June 6th
9. Old Business:

10. New Business: Margaret Hooper, with Harris County Constable CPA, presented a check for \$250.00 for Region One Scholarship Fund.
11. Adjourn: Motion made by Jeanne Canales, at 11:43 a.m., to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried

All meetings are on the *second* Saturday of the month at 10:00 AM.

Email Dottie at robertduby@sbcglobal.net with your Alumni Activity Reports and/or if you would like to add an agenda item.

PLEDGE TO THE TEXAS FLAG: Honor the Texas Flag. I Pledge Allegiance to thee, Texas, one state under God, one and indivisible

Respectfully submitted,

Dottie Duby, Secretary
Region One CPAAA

Alumni Activity Reports:

Brenham CPAAA

On May 8th the High School had their yearly Scholarship banquet. Dorothy Antkowiak attended to present the Marsha Ellis Ullrich Memorial Scholarship to Quinton Smith. This is a \$500.00 scholarship we give in honor of one of our officers that died of cancer. The recipient will be going into the field of law enforcement.

Members of the CPAAA held a bake sale on May 10th and had the drawing for a homemade quilt. Proceeds from the 2 items were over \$1400.00. May 11-17th was National Police Week and the CPAAA members provided snacks at the department each day.

Ten new members completed 3 nights of training for The Citizens on Patrol program and they will now begin their field training. During May the COPs worked at both Maifest parades on the 9th and 10th, the Ice Cream Festival, Blinn College graduation, Project graduation, and attended a night of Helicopter Landing Zone Safety Training. On June 7th we will be having a summer picnic for members and officers at Hohlt Park in Brenham.

Houston CPAAA

Houston volunteers participated in Police Week the week of May 12th by helping shepherd elementary students on a tour of the HPD Academy. We also participated in Police Awards Day at the downtown aquarium on May 12th. We participated in a barbecue fund raiser benefitting a Houston Police Officer on May 23rd. We are looking forward to taking part in the Airborne Law Enforcement Conference during the week of July 14th. On June 19th, we will present the award to the outstanding student at the HPD cadet graduation of Class 196. The Houston CPAAA presents this award at each graduation.

Montgomery County CPAAA

May 17th--sat up a booth at The Woodlands Dog Park in The Woodlands. Sheriff Gage received a donation of \$500 to help with Bianca's travel expense for her Re-Certification trip. For everyone to know she passed this with flying colors.

May 20th--had our graduation of the first academy class that began in February. We had 23 graduates and all are looking forward to joining the alumni. Our next class will start in August 2008.

May 31st--we will be helping the Shenandoah PD with their Texas Festival in The Woodlands.

Galveston County CPAAA

1. Tammy Harper, our president, passed her police academy course at College of the Mainland. We are very proud of her accomplishment.
2. Our Scholarship account has reached \$1,976.89.
3. Our net profit from our Pancake Breakfast, in Galveston was \$1,255.50.
4. We are still in the process of purchasing GPS units. Major Tutt will be contacting Tammy Harper, our president, with regards to grant money and possibly helping in purchasing more GPS units by combing funds.
5. We made a motion to purchase fingerprint kits and we will reimburse Sgt. O'Brien after making the purchase.
6. Scott Youngblood will be contacting our president to find out if GSA is in compliance with the state.
7. Members requested Kelly's receive a certificate of appreciation for using their banquet room for our meetings every month.
8. We have volunteered to get the non-T-close speakers for the 2009 Convention in Galveston. LT. Hanson and Major Tutt would assist us if necessary.
9. May 14th we recognized Law Enforcement Memorial for Law Enforcement Fall Officers.

Lake Jackson Activity Report:

The Alumni honored each employee at the Lake Jackson Police Department during National Police Week with a letter of thanks that included \$10.00 so each of them could 'have lunch on the LJCPAAAA'. Various alumni also brought cookies and cakes to the PD during National Police Week.

Membership has reached 100 as the new graduates from Class 27 joined the association!!!

We are very proud and excited that our membership is getting stronger!

We have expanded the Benevolence Committee so that each employee of the police department is remembered on birthdays and hire date anniversaries. The Committee (consisting of 7 alumni) has 'adopted' 5-7 employees each. Some of the committee

distribute note pads and pencils (which patrol officers can always use), antibacterial soap, tissues, and other useful glove compartment items. Some bake them their favorite cake or cookies. All of the committee do their best to make sure each and every employee, from the Chief to the Custodian, feels appreciated and special. New employees are greeted with a special welcome card, and new officers also receive a guardian angel token which can be placed in the wallet or pocket.

The Citizens on Patrol (COP) and Disabled Parking volunteers continue to show a strong presence in the community by patrolling and issuing citations at least 3 - 5 times per week. Child ID completed another successful year of fingerprinting 2nd graders and even ventured into 5th grade as a pilot program before going on hiatus for the summer.

Sugar Land CPAAA

The C.A.S.T. members will be assisting at the Red, White, and Blue Fest for July 4th.

The C.A.S.T. has been given the go ahead to give out warning tickets to violators who park in handicapped parking spaces. The city council passed an ordinance.

The trading card committee is working very hard on the Trading Card Program Fundraiser. They had an adopt a cop or group sponsorship and all have now been sponsored.

We are also hosting the August 9th Region One meeting at 10 AM at the Sugar Land PD Training Room.

The Webster CPAAA

Webster CPAAA has scheduled meals for the Webster Police during Police Week. There will be two servings to catch all shifts plus extra meals for the communications personnel who are on different shifts from the officers on patrol.

The Webster CPAAA is planning to serve BBQ sausage, drinks, pickles at the 4th of July celebration.

The Webster CPAAA is finalizing changes to our bylaws and they will be presented at the May Meeting for approval in June.

The Webster Police Officers Association is holding a benefit hot dog /drink sale at Fry's Electronics on May 16-18 and flyers were passed out to the Region One meeting attendees. The benefit is for Christopher Werner, son of Webster Police Officer Vince Werner. For the past year Christopher has been waging a battle against leukemia and he is facing at least two more years of continuous treatment. The WCPAAA assisted last year when there was also a garage sale held in the city's civic center to help raise money for the Werner family.

Webster currently has a CPA class in session and we will be pitching the great reasons to join the Alumni Association to them.

A link to a flyer showing our new permanent dedicated Citizen Patrol vehicle can be found on our web page; this vehicle replaces a previously shared vehicle where we used the magnetic signs. The web page link is <http://www.orgsites.com/tx/wcpaaa/>

Angleton CPAAA

Our monthly meeting was Monday June 9th. The new officers were sworn in at the meeting.

On May 31 we had a booth at the Hurricane Preparedness Seminar in Lake Jackson. We had the FEMA trailer the CPA purchased for the PD on display. It has been refitted to be used as a command center in emergencies.

June 9 - 13 we had a Junior CPA class. There were 19 young people who attended. They all had a good time and learned a lot.

There will be a mini-hurricane preparedness seminar held on June 24 at 6:30 pm at the Angleton Rec Center.

We have one applicant approved for a scholarship to the Alvin Police Academy. She is currently working in dispatch at the Angleton Police Department.

Another Coushatta trip is planned for August 10th. This will be an over night trip. The cost is \$55.00 per person based on double occupancy or \$65.00 for a single. Anyone interested see Dottie Duby.

Harris County Constable Precinct CPAAA

STEER – A court ordered program for minors who have been caught with possession of alcohol. The minor is given the choice of going to juvenile detention or participating in STEER. STEER is held on a Saturday at 10:00 a.m. First they sit through a class about 2 hours in length and learn about the dangers of drinking and driving. After that they participate in the “drunk driving” course, wearing simulated drunk goggles, and driving an obstacle course in a golf cart.

CLAWS – Court liaison and warrant support – Volunteer must attend a training period, go to Cypress wood courthouse from 5-7 p.m. and make phone calls reminding people they have a court date to appear. Calls are usually for traffic offenses. Sometimes they work on special projects.

REPORT CARD – An anti-theft awareness program - still being working on. Theory is a Volunteer will go to a parking lot, check vehicles for such items as keys in ignition, computers or other items on the seat. They will mark off items on a “report card” and put it on the windshield. If they find nothing negative, the driver receives a “passing grade”