



The Informant

Dates to remember

<i>General Meeting</i>	8/11
<i>C.O.P. Meeting</i>	8/25
<i>Guns & Hoses Blood Drive</i>	8/15 & 8/16
<i>General Meeting</i>	9/8
<i>COP Conference -</i>	8/28
<i>Until</i>	8-31

July was full of Surprises !

CPAAA August Guest Speaker



Above—Chief Phelps gives the “Oath of Office” to New Corporals : Lance Weiss Casey Thumann, Justin Schiller, and David Dudenhoeffer.

Kirk Hanath County Commissioner of Precinct 3 will be the featured speaker at this month’s CPAAA Meeting. Hanath is in his third term as County Commissioner for Precinct 3, having served since 2004. The forty-three year old Brenham native is a graduate of Brenham High School, and Blinn College; he also attended the University of Texas at Austin (Go Horns!). His childhood had a profound effect on his work ethic and fiscal philosophy. While his education and work experience in the business community equipped him to deal with the problems facing Washington County today. He is a family man, having married the love of his life, Christa Fricke in May of 2002.

August Birthdays

Ofc. Seth Klehm 8/3

Ofc. Lance Weiss 8/29



Citizens on Patrol

July COP Hours

Rob Aguilar	71.5
Wanda Aguilar	16
Dorothy Antkowiak	34.5
James Bassett	54
Scott Boll	21.25
Kevin Braun	10
Sue Braun	18
Dustin Brown	25.75
Wayne Brown	12
David Clinkenbeard	27.5
Sandra Clinkenbeard	12
Bob Cothorn	36.25
Michael Cowan	6.5
Glen Daugherty	25
Tex Davis	175.5
Stan Ford	50.5
Albert Green	74.25
Dale Green	19
Juanita Hickey	20.5
Helen Jordan	13
Bernadette Kamprath	3
Millie Keller	21
Cathy Langan	47
Brianna Morgan	4
Jack Murski	35
Jerry Ondrias	16.5
Tom Painter	28.25
Don Peloquin	36
Carole Petzolt	13.25
Monroe Petzolt	6.25
Xochitl mari Rangel	20.5
Corina Smith	8
Dairius Smith	7.5
Mark Smith	3.5
Tony Smith	19
Clarence Steinfeld	59.5
Billy Sutherland	22.5
Annette Tiemann	20
Ron Upchurch	44
Manija Whitman	18.5
Peace Wilson	4
Jean Winters	5.5
Ron Wise	14.5
Catharine Wood	2
Billy Yawn	42.75

TOTAL 1225

THANK YOU ALL
very much for all the hard work.
1225 Hours, that's
AWESOME!

Hot Nights, Cool Tunes

Thank you to those who assisted with this event during the month of July: *Ron Wise, Annette Tiemann, Dorothy Antkowiak, Dale Green, Jean Winters, Wanda Aguilar, James Bassett, Jack Murski, Albert Green, Rob Aguilar, Sue Braun, Kevin Braun, Xochitl mari Rangel, Manija Whitman, Billy Yawn, Stan Ford, Clarence Steinfeld, Peace Wilson, Tex Davis, Corina Smith, Mark Smith, Catharine Wood, Chuck Wood, David Clinkenbeard, Sandy Clinkenbeard, Dustin Brown*

Funeral Escort

Thank you to Rob Aguilar, Wanda Aguilar, Bob Cothorn, Stan Ford, Tex Davis, and Juanita Hickey for their help with the C J Richardson funeral escort on July 12th.

Blue Bell Creamery

Thank you to those who assisted with the Blue Bell tours traffic control and parking during the month of July: *Bob Cothorn, Tom Painter, James Bassett, Rob Aguilar, Albert Green, Dorothy Antkowiak, Dale Green, Annette Tiemann, Clarence Steinfeld, Corina Smith, Mark Smith, Billy Yawn, Stan Ford, David Clinkenbeard, Billy Sutherland*



Above: Part of our Blue Bell Parking Crew - Bob Cothorn, Billy Yawn, Tom Painter and Albert Green try and cool off with a scoop of their favorite Blue Bell flavor!



Left - Several BPD and COP vehicles stand at the ready for the CJ Richardson Funeral Escort leaving the Junior High.

July Was Full of Surprises

By Rob Aguilar

There were several surprises in the month of July, here at BPD, and they were all pleasant ones! The first surprise came with a phone call from Cpl. Lance Weiss, asking me if I had time to be arrested? And if I didn't have time for that, would I like to attend a small ceremony for our NEW POLICE CHIEF?? Well there was a perfectly good explanation for that, it was Lance, after all. Since I didn't have time to get arrested, I made it a point to be at the ceremony later that afternoon. Came to find out that that notorious criminal Cpl. Casey Thumann took my place as arrestee. Are you confused yet?

Well this all came about when our good-hearted buddy Lance Weiss took the reins and arranged an unforgettable day for an unforgettable young man. Lance volunteers with the Adams Angels' group and found out about the dream of teen Traelan Nickerson to be a Police Officer. Lance and Traelan are friends and have discussed different aspects of law enforcement and the BPD. Traelan is suffering from brain cancer, and the prognosis of a law enforcement career are out of the question; but a boy can dream can't he? Well lets say that Lance and the BPD made that dream come true, and then some. Lance arranged a "ride-along" and much, much more. Traelan's day began with receiving his BPD Uniform for the day. He was sworn in as Brenham's Acting Police Chief for the day by Mayor Tate and was presented a Proclamation and a Chief's Badge and collar brass to complete his uniform (his name tag is on back order). Their tour of duty had many stops and meetings at City Hall, Sheriff's Office, District Attorney's Office, and so forth. They patrolled the streets and even made an arrest of a wanted felon (you know, that Thumann character I spoke of earlier). Traelan's day was capped off by a reception (ceremony) in BPD's Community Room where Traelan was given some mementos of his days' activities. There wasn't a dry eye in the house during the ceremony, especially when Adam's Angels' founder Donna Culliver spoke; except for Traelan's, his eyes were shining bright, as the excitement of fulfilling his dream was realized.

A second surprise came when the day of the ceremony for the three new Corporals arrived and it was announced that morning that a forth new Corporal would be made. Well it was a surprise to us, but surely not a surprise for David Dudenhoeffer. David had worked hard to achieve that goal and knew he was entitled to be included in the day's ceremony. Rest assured that all four new Corporals—Lance Weiss, Casey Thumann, Justin Schiller and David Dudenhoeffer deserve the two stripes on their uniforms; and they will continue to serve BPD and the Citizens of Brenham with distinction. I am also sure there will be more stripes and accolades in their futures.

Another surprise came, almost overnight. Perhaps it had been in the works for quite sometime, but I never heard about it. That was the New Captains! Lieutenant's Billy Rich, Dant Lange and Trey Gully are now Captains. This move was an attempt at keeping BPD in line with most other Police Departments; as officers that run a Division are usually the rank of Captain. I'm all for that; does that mean I can be a Captain too?

The next surprise was a big one. I was contacted by Clyde Averitt's son Donald, who lives in Las Vegas. He informed me that his Dad was turning 80, and could I help him get some of Clyde's friends together for a surprise gathering. I wasn't even aware of his birth date, but was more than happy to help in any way I could. I first secured the use of the Community Room. Since it was not a simple Family Birthday Party, but rather a gathering of Clyde's' COP and BPD friends; Ginger said we could use the facility. I managed to get the word out to our COPs and Police Officers, and all were excited at the prospect of doing something nice for our good friend Clyde. I next elicited the help of a few members to help with the decorating, the snacks, the drinks and the cake. Annette, being the party planner of the group took on most of the chores, and assured the success of the event. I asked Clyde's son Donald if he had ever toured our Police Station and his reply was that Clyde had asked him on several occasions, but Donald never had the time. So Donald and myself devised an ingenious plan of asking Clyde to give them a tour of the Police Station, in order to lure Clyde to the party destination and keep the party a secret. It worked; Clyde was totally surprised! And yes, Clyde's family did get a tour of the Station, courtesy of Chris.

The final surprise remains a mystery. Our COP hand held radio 67048, which had been missing since just after the Juneteenth Parade; magically reappeared. I found it on top of the desk in front of the charger bank. It was just sitting there, so I placed it in the charger bank, and said a prayer of thanks. Perhaps the officer that borrowed it will be known to us at a later date. The radios are assigned to COPs, but they belong to the City of Brenham (BPD) and can be used by COPs and officers alike. It's just the fact that we didn't know where it was, even after asking several people. Next time I hope that the "radio bandit" a least leaves us a little note, we worry about those kind of things, you know!



Lieutenants' Billy Rich, Dant Lange and Trey Gully are now **CAPTAINS**



At Left –Acting Chief Traelan Nickerson and Chief Rex Phelps share a laugh during Traelan's Ceremony.

At Right - Our New Corporals are sworn in

Bottom Right - Clyde's party.



Bottom Left - 67048 is back in our office



These photos are meant to accompany the above article. There are more photos depicting the above mentioned events throughout this publication. I hope their arrangement does not confuse the reader. In the words of Gomer Pyle ***"Surprise, Surprise, Surprise"***



HAPPY BIRTHDAY!



More Surprises in July!

Happy 80th Clyde



Clyde's Family !



Clyde's Other Family!!

Congratulations!



Left—Chief Phelps addresses the crowd before he administers the Oath to our FOUR NEW CORPORALS

Right—Lance Weiss, Casey Thumann, Justin Schiller, and David Dudenhoeffer take their Oath of Office
Below—Their badges are pinned on by a father, a brother and spouses. As friends and family look on.



job well done...



YES....WE ARE FAMILY!

By Clyde Averitt

We have heard it many times from different individuals “We are family” and family we are. Sure not by any blood kin or any adoption. But, in ways we may not have thought of. We are in a group that bares the same name, Citizens Police Academy Alumni Association and Citizens On Patrol. We all have a common goal trying to make our neighborhood a better place to live and support our police department at the same time. We don’t always agree with one another...that’s good...just like family we still care about and love one another regardless. Not all of us have the same talents...that’s good...just like family we offer our talents where and when they are wanted or needed. We stand ready to help one another...that’s good...just like family. If one of us falls on bad times we are at the ready to give support where ever it’s needed. We have each others back and don’t want anyone messing with our members...just like family. We may not agree and at times may even think someone is a little out of line. But, we work out our differences and continue being family.

When I applied to attend the Academy I had retired and was looking for something to have an interest in. At the moment I wasn’t sure it was for me or not. I have always liked law enforcement, even as a kid I always wanted to be the good guy looking for the bad guys. After a few weeks I knew I was going to like this organization and the people that were in my class. Then after graduation and having to wait a year to join the Citizens On Patrol group I was even more impressed and knew this was something for an old man. Our class was made up of a lot of doers like Shana, Dorothy, Annette, Jean and Dale who has served our organization in many ways in the past eight years. I was given the opportunity to serve on the board for three years and take on the speaker chairman duties for four years. Through all these years I always was impressed how much all our members jumped in and did what ever they could to make it work, no matter the task.

There has been more academy classes since class 20 and each one has had those that wanted to be family and serve when and how they could and their efforts has added many suggestion that has helped our family to grow and get better even to the heights of state level awards...there will be more classes and may we always have those that want to join our family and offer their talents.

The good Lord has granted me 80 years and on Saturday the 19th of July members of this family surprised me with my first surprise birthday party...and it was a real surprise and this old man couldn’t help being emotional because of all the kindness and love that this group of family members showed myself and my real family. You guys did a bang up job and I want to thank all who stopped by and said Happy Birthday! As I have always said...thank y’all for giving this old man something to do and care about.



Accepting donations of “Teddy Bears” and Blankets from the Lady Lions were Sgt. Curtiss Schoen and Officers’ Jared Campbell and Ashley Burns. The Bears and Blankets are carried in the officers patrol cars and used to comfort children they encounter in stressful situations.

Way to go ladies!



Cpl. David Clinkenbeard holds the Gold Whistle and Gold Whistle Award he deservedly earned in June. He is surrounded by his fellow Blue Bell Parking Crew (north lot) Left to right: Billy Yawn, David Clinkenbeard, Albert Green, and Sgt. Bob Cothorn. Another hot day at Blue Bell, those *hats* help, but just a little!!



At Left our Camp Periwinkle Escort Crew: Albert Green, Clarence Steinfeld, Jack Murski, Ron Wise, Billy Yawn, Catharine Wood, Chuck Wood, Stan Ford (Wanda & Rob Aguilar not pictured).



WARNING to all Police Officers and COP's: If a firefighter asks to borrow your patrol car ...*JUST SAY NO!*



At Left - Flanked by James Bassett and Rob Aguilar, Millie Keller receives the Office Angel Award for the 2nd Quarter of 2014. Yes, it was all arranged for us to wear orange shirts.



At Left –Butch Lorenz graduates from Class 13 of the Leander Citizens Police Academy. He is flanked by Chris Jackson’s counterpart on the left and the Leander Police Chief on his right. Leander will be starting a COP Program in the near future; and Butch can’t wait!



Flanked by James Bassett and Rob Aguilar, Manija Whitman, Stan Ford and Billy Yawn receive their Radio Call Numbers: 4147, 4143 and 4144 respectively.



At Left - Butch and Cindy Lorenz after his CPA Graduation Ceremony and Graduation Dinner. Butch and Cindy say Hi and that they miss everyone in Brenham, especially their COP friends. That’s another surprise that I didn’t mention in my article; Butch called Chris and said he can only invite two people to his graduation and he would like that to be ME and CHRIS. We couldn’t say no, not to Butch! We had a great time visiting with Butch and Cindy and are sure he will be instrumental with helping set up their COP Program.



Billy Yawn and Tex Davis receive their Haz-Mat Awareness Level Training Certificates



Class 13 of the Leander Citizens Police Academy



Class 13 Graduates and invited guests filing into the Leander Police Station for the Ceremony



At Left - The Camp Periwinkle Escort Crew poses for a picture.

Above - We not only escorted 4 Buses of campers, but at least 2 dozen Corvettes from the National Afro American Corvette Club.

As most of you know the Camp Periwinkle Escort is a fun and worthwhile assignment. And this years Escort did not disappoint. Last year there was a large motorcycle escort along with the buses. This year there was large contingent of Corvettes (didn't count, but there were at least 2 dozen). We didn't have too much assistance with this year's escort; there were our 4 COP vehicles (10 COPs), and 3140 Sgt. Raven and 3115 Cpl. Curry. 3140 and 3115 helped in the Brenham City Limits, but after leaving Brenham, we were on our own. I don't know what happened to the County COPs, the Sheriff's Deputies, EMS and Fire Department (maybe we didn't coordinate properly?) Everything went very smoothly. We got to interact with the kids before they were whisked away to their cabins. And we got to visit with some of the Corvette owners too. We had some first timers with us, so I encouraged them to get a tour of the facilities, because the place is awesome. Having toured the facilities before, our group (Clarence, Wanda and myself) decided to head back to Brenham. One of the Corvette Club members asked for directions to Nathan's Barbeque, and after telling him, I said just follow me we will take you right there. It turns out they all wanted to go to Nathan's so we had another escort to perform!



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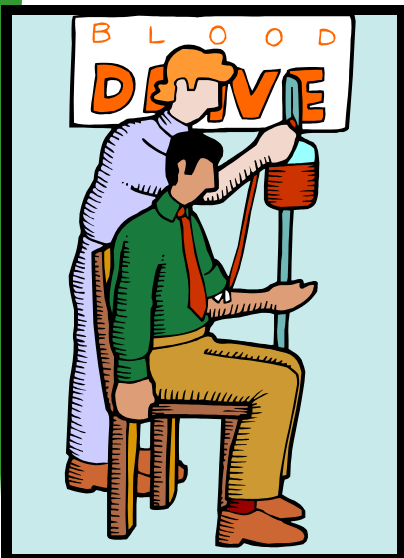
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Guns and Hoses Blood Drive Two Day Event

The Donor Coach will be at City Hall on Friday, 8-15-14 from 9 am to 3 pm

The Drive will be at the Fireman's Training Center on Saturday 8-16-14 from 9 am to 3 pm

A Free T-Shirt and Coupon for a Pint of Blue Bell ice cream for all who donate Blood.