



The Informant

Dates to remember

General Meeting 7pm	8/8
Band March-a-Thon	8/12
Guns & Hoses Blood Drive	8/26 & 8/27
General Meeting	9/12



Slain Dallas
Officers:

- M. Smith
- L. Ahrens
- P. Zamarripa
- M. Krol and
DART Officer:
B. Thompson

7-7-16

August Birthdays

- Sgt. Seth Klehm 8/3
- CID Intern Alyson Tofel 8/10
- Chief Craig Goodman 8/14
- Ofc. Jose Perez 8/27
- Cpl. Lance Weiss 8/29



The City of Brenham shows that it **“BACKS THE BLUE”**, and mourns the lives of the slain Dallas Police Officers by attending a Prayer Vigil at the Courthouse on July 14th. Attendees were encouraged to wear Blue. They were treated to prayers and inspirational words from our own Cpl. Chris Jackson, Police Chief Craig Goodman, Sheriff Otto Hanak, COP & Rev. Billy Sutherland, and a host of clergy and area leaders.

More photos of the Prayer Vigil and Sgt. Raven on Page 6

Sgt. Kelvin Raven was recognized at a recent City Council Meeting for his **20 Years of Service** to the Brenham Police Department and the Citizens of the Community. **CONGRATS!**



Citizens on Patrol

July COP Hours

Rob Aguilar	43
Wanda Aguilar	24.5
Dorothy Antkowiak	24
Clyde Averitt	10
Patricia Badough	11.5
Kevin Braun	10
Sue Braun	22.75
Wayne Brown	16
Robbie Gail Charette	10
David Clinkenbeard	27
Sandra Clinkenbeard	12.5
Bob Cothorn	27.25
Glen Daugherty	9
Tex Davis	135.5
Stan Ford	21.25
Albert Green	22.5
Dale Green	7.5
Juanita Hickey	12.5
Jim Hollister	3
Larry Keller	17.5
Millie Keller	23.25
Howard Mead	8.25
Wayne Miller	21.25
Steve Oneill	2
Sherry Parker	36.25
Don Peloquin	16
Monroe Petzolt	2
Jerry Pieper	7
Corina Smith	5
Mark Smith	4.5
Tony Smith	12
Laura Sparks	11
Clarence Steinfeld	45
Annette Tiemann	15
Ron Upchurch	24.75
Jean Winters	2
Ron Wise	14.5
Ceci Wagner	5.75
Chuck Wood	2
TOTAL	715.75

THANK YOU ALL

very much for all the hard work.
Especially in such hot weather.

AWESOME!



Good to
see you
BUTCH!

Hot Nights, Cool Tunes

Thank you to those who assisted with this event during

the month of July: *Ron*

Wise, Annette Tiemann, Jean Winters, Wanda Aguilar, Albert Green, Rob Aguilar, Sue Braun, Kevin Braun, Jim Hollister, Howard Mead, Stan Ford, Clarence Steinfeld, Tex Davis, David Clinkenbeard, Sandy Clinkenbeard, Ron Upchurch, Dale Green, Dorothy Antkowiak, Sherry Parker, Laura Sparks, Robbie Gail Charette, Wayne Miller, Clyde Averitt

Sorry if I missed anyone!

7-8-16 McDonald's Fingerprinting Assignment: *Rob Aguilar, Wanda Aguilar, Annette Tiemann, Larry Keller, Sue Braun, Millie Keller*

7-23-16 Dog Park Parking Assignment: *Dorothy Antkowiak, Annette Tiemann, Dale Green, Steve Oneill, Wayne Miller, Clyde Averitt, Ron Upchurch*

7-28-16 Children's Miracle Network Fundraiser Fingerprinting/Safety Assignment at Dairy Queen: *Rob Aguilar, Wanda Aguilar, Annette Tiemann, Clyde Averitt, Larry Keller, Millie Keller, Sue Braun, Corina Smith*

Camp Periwinkle Escort

Thanks to the following COPs for their help with the Camp Periwinkle Escort on 7-31-16:

Rob Aguilar, Wanda Aguilar, Clarence Steinfeld, Stan Ford, Tex Davis, Sherry Parker, Wayne Miller, Ceci Wagner

And Thanks to the following **County COPs:** *Larry Neveux, Gary Baldwin, Gene Herrmann, Doss Pruitt, Howard Schultz, Bobbie McDaniel, Clyde Averitt*

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7-29-16 Richard Murski Funeral Escort: *Rob Aguilar, Wanda Aguilar, Clyde Averitt, Bob Cothorn, Albert Green, Wayne Miller, Dorothy Antkowiak, Annette Tiemann, Butch Lorenz*

At the Dog Park parking cars; oh, and **Helicopters** too!! (Dorothy & Annette)





The Governor proposes POLICE PROTECTION ACT

News out of Austin: Governor Greg Abbott announced an effort to strengthen penalties for crimes committed against law enforcement officers; calling it the **Police Protection Act**. "At a time when law enforcement officers increasingly come under assault simply because of the job they hold, Texas must send a resolute message that the state will stand by the men and women who serve and protect our communities," said Abbott. The proposal will make it a **hate crime** for anyone to commit a crime against a law enforcement officer out of bias against the police. The Governor will request that the Texas Legislature pass the Police Protection Act in the 2017 legislative session. Governor Abbott said, "while our state and the nation continue to mourn the heroes lost in Dallas, it is time for us to unite as Texans to say **no more**". Abbott continued, "the men and women in uniform risk their lives every day to protect the public, and it is time we show them the State of Texas has their back. Texas will no longer tolerate disrespect for those who serve and it must be made clear to anyone targeting our law enforcement officials that their actions will be met with severe justice." The Governor's Police Protection Act includes the following proposals: Extend hate crime protections to law enforcement officers; increase criminal penalties for any crime in which the victim is a law enforcement officer; create a culture of respect for law enforcement by organizing a campaign to educate young Texans on the value of law enforcement officers bring to their communities.

A step in the right direction, indeed!

(Excerpts from Killeen Daily Herald)

Below: Congratulations to **Juanita Hickey** for receiving the 2nd Quarter Office Angel Award; **Wayne Miller** for receiving the 2nd Quarter Lt's Gold Whistle Award and **Larry Keller** for receiving his Radio Call Number 4156

Congratulations!



Camp Periwinkle Escort 2016



On 7-31-16 the Police Department, Fire Department, Sheriff's Office, City COPs and County COPs got a chance to work together on a pleasurable and worthwhile task; the annual Camp Periwinkle Escort. This year was no different than any other, except we had several new participants. The escort went off without a hitch and the four bus loads of campers were so excited to get their week of fun and adventure at the camp underway, our interaction with them was limited. We got to visit a while with Deputies and our County counterparts, drink a cold beverage and pose for our plaques. Our plaque can be seen in the COP Office (at least for the time being).
It was fun and we look forward to next year!

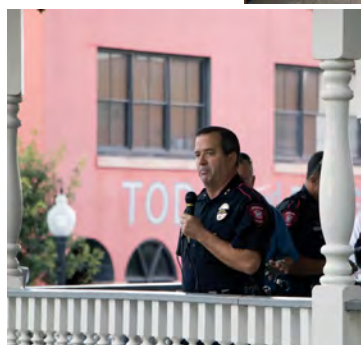


The Brenham Chrysler, Jeep, Dodge, Ram dealership Backs the Blue with an appreciation luncheon for Police and other first responders on 7-22-16. Quite a spread; good food and fellowship. Nice T-Shirts too!!



Dairy Queen hosted a fundraiser "Miracle Treat Day" for the Children's Miracle Network (CMN). Police Officers and Firefighters were asked to assist in their efforts by delivering said treats to patrons tables. All the proceeds from the sale of Blizzards that day went to the CMN. Below you see Chief Goodman delivering a large tray of Blizzards; well he purchased those himself to aid the cause and to feed his many Police and COP helpers. COPs were there to fingerprint children, serve the treats; and eat ice cream, of course. Thanks for the Blizzard Chief!





A sea of blue to back the blue. What a great community to come out on short notice and show that they back our Law Enforcement Officers and mourn the loss of the slain officers in Dallas, as well as, Baton Rouge and other cities. It is happening much too often, and hopefully, PRAYER will be the answer; it's a start. A start to healing, and a dialog with the community moving everyone in the right direction. God Bless Brenham and the BPD!

The Mayor presented Sgt. Kelvin Raven a Service Award for his 20 Years of Service to the Brenham Police Department. Kelvin says he will stay another 20, but not a day more. Not really, he's not thinking that far ahead; he's having too much fun doing the job that he loves !

Right: CPAAA President Ron Upchurch with the recipient of the Marsha Ellis Ullrich Scholarship for 2016 CONGRATS !!



Left: Sgt. Raven being congratulated by Captains' Lange and Gully

Below: That's what 20 years of confidence looks like.



Community Relations and Support



Above: The **County Fair** is almost here, I know that to be true because Fair Queen Candidate Ms. Conway came by BPD.

Below: It's **Federal Friday** says new Marshal Dant Lange. (Where's Ms. Kitty, Marshal !!)



Above: All is well with BPD and McDonalds

Below: The W C Blue Blazers brought by some goodies!

Below Right: Cpl. Jared Campbell and Capt. Dant Lange accept more goodies from a mother and daughter.

Below: Our good friend, *Butch Lorenz* came into Brenham to attend the funeral of Jack Murski's son Richard Allen Murski, who was called to the Lord much too soon.



Getting ready for the Richard Allen Murski Funeral Escort were Bob, Albert, Dorothy, Butch, Annette, Wayne, and Rob (Wanda was taking the pic)



Below: Once again Wal-Mart showed it's appreciation to our department for the fine protection of their store and of Brenham, with a nice lunch. There was a large contingent of Officers and Staff ready to show their appreciation, by eating it all!



Community Relations



Captain Lloyd Powell talks with a group of citizens, giving them an impassioned message about policing our community; and then gave them a station tour!



The Dairy Queen fundraiser for Children's Miracle Network was an example of Community Relations at it's finest. Thanks to everyone that participated; it was a great group effort !



My fingerprinting Crew at McDonalds doing just a little bit of work (we printed 42 children) Then the fun began. It started at the photo booth and ended with burgers and fries. All in all, a good day! Good Job Guys!



The Summit

By Rob Aguilar

On July 20th, at 5 pm, the training room at BPD was the stage for the all-important Summit. The law enforcement community all around our nation was still reeling from the recent mass shootings; that seemed to be occurring with more frequency. That was followed by unfortunate police shooting incidents involving unarmed suspects. Then we had the shootings in Dallas where police officers were the targets. Still horrified by the Dallas tragedy; we were hit by more violence against police officers in Baton Rouge.

All the while your BPD Command Staff was strategizing and disseminating information to its officers. They decided to have a structured meeting with as many officers that could attend. Hearing about the meeting, the Mayor and City Manager asked to attend. The Police Chief started out with some reassuring remarks; and told of all the support he had seen from our community. He then advised all of the officers to be hyper-vigilant; with situational awareness being the key to their safety. The Captains then voiced their experience based opinions on how to handle certain situations. The Sergeants and Corporals in the room also had some wisdom to impart. This was like a round table discussion with audience participation encouraged. And even some patrol officers offered good ideas to keep everyone safe. Unfortunately, I did not take notes; and I don't know which ideas are now actual police department policies and procedures. But I can say that a lot of good came from that session.

After hearing from all of the officers that wanted to speak, the Mayor and City Manager took the floor to add some words of encouragement. They both said that it appeared that BPD seems to be prepared for any and all situations. And further, that the city fathers and citizens of our great community support their efforts. We all then gathered at the front steps of the Police Department building to pose for a picture of the Summit participants.

We weren't through yet, there was still the meeting of the COP Command Staff. Chief Goodman and Chris Jackson met with six members of your COP Command Staff to see if there was anything that we would like to change in order to be safer. The Chief was willing to change our uniforms; perhaps a different color, or polo shirts without patches. He also said that we could change the graphics on our patrol vehicles or the light configuration or even stop patrolling. We spoke about training, with situational awareness training being a must; and other training topics including mass casualty, first aid, active shooter and self-defense as options. We did conclude that any training would have to be held in a daytime session and a night time session on possibly different days in order to reach all of our members. All officers in the meeting were allowed to voice their opinions and ideas especially when we spoke about changing our procedures. The conclusions drawn after our discussions are as follows: The uniforms will remain the same; however, if anyone is uncomfortable or does not feel safe wearing it, they don't have to. The cars will also remain the same;

changing them would just defeat the purpose of having them. Anyone that does not feel safe patrolling alone should only go out with someone else on board. Two man patrol units is always a good policy. At large functions (like Hot Nights Cool Tunes) we would like to see at least two COPs stay together and at least one of them should have a handheld radio. We all agreed that we need more training; especially situational awareness training. We should also have mock accident traffic control scenarios. And as stated before, we should conduct this training in both a day and evening session; so that more members can attend. The other important thing that came from these meetings is that you must remain vigilant and don't think that this cannot happen here; it can happen anywhere!

BACK THE BLUE



We had almost 30 officers attend the all important Summit and even a couple of COPs. The City Manager and Mayor were front an center showing their support for our Officers and Department; they **BACK THE BLUE !!**

did well done... 

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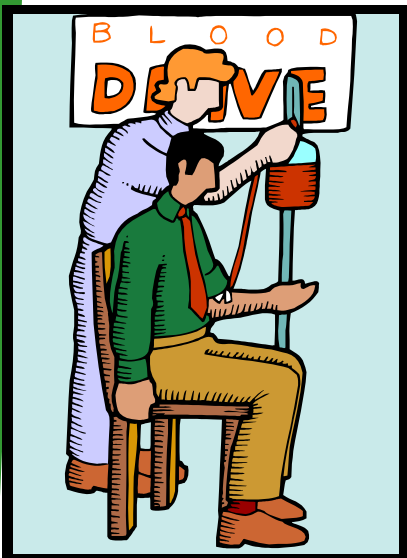
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Guns and Hoses Blood Drive Two Day Event

The Donor Coach will be at City Hall on Friday, 8-26-16 from 9 am to 3 pm

The Drive will be at the Fireman's Training Center on Saturday 8-27-16 from 9 am to 3 pm

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