Newsletter of the Brenham, TX Citizens Police Academy Alumni Association

## The Informant



#### Dates to remember this month

CPA class 6:30pm 3/9

CPA class 6:30pm 3/23

CPA class 6:30pm 3/30

General Meeting 7pm 3/13

Guns&Hoses9am3pm 4/27

## March Birthdays

Ofc. Kunter Andras 3/2

Ofc. Andrew Adams 3/3

Res.Off. Bob Lawrence 3-11

PIO Angela Kahn 3-22

Capl. Dank Lange 3/29



The Citizens Police Academy Brenham High School Class of 2017 This class of 20 students is mirroring CPA Class 31 with some modifications to the curriculum. The students, as well as the instructors, are enjoying these classes. Photos of their Fire Station tour on pg.9.



Officer of the Year-Seth Klehm... Story of photo on Page 3

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## Thanks to the following COPs for their help:

2/13-14/17 Valentines Day Flower Delivery: Annette Tiemann, Corina Smith, Sherry Parker, Clarence Steinfeld, Ron Upchurch, Sue Braun, and Larry Keller

2-23-17 New Life Ministries Parking Assignment: Dale Green, Dorothy Antkowiak, Stan Ford, Ron Upchurch, and Clyde Averitt

2-25-17 Called at home by Dispatch to watch two children after their Dad was arrested, and wait with them until a guardian came from Galveston to pick them up: Robbie Gail Charette, Sherry Parker and Rob Aguilar

3-3-17 First Baptist Fundraiser Parking/Traffic Assignment: Dale Green, Dorothy Antkowiak, Albert Green, Bob Cothern, Ron Upchurch, Annette Tiemann, Larry Keller, Merlene Schmacher, Wanda Aguilar, and Rob Aguilar



L & R: Our Ranger gets a windshield.
Semi-Professionally installed by Stan
Ford. *Thanks Stan!* 





At Left: Larry Keller gets sworn-in as a CPAAA Director.

Right: CPAAA President Ceci Wagner administers the Oath of Office to our new CPAAA Vice-President Larry Keller **CONGRATS!!** 



#### COP's to get a new Liaison Officer

Our Liaison Officer Cpl. Chris Jackson will soon be promoted to Sergeant as will Steven Eilert. Chris will take over Sgt. Kelvin Ravens' Shift as Patrol Sgt. and Sgt. Raven will move into Sgt. Judson Hall's spot in Internal Affairs. Cpl. Todd Ashorn will be the Admin. Cpl. and our new Liaison Officer. Steven Eilert will take Sgt. Justin Schiller place, as the Patrol Sgt. for Schillers' Shift. *Confused yet?* 

#### **February COP Hours**

Rob Aguilar	43.5
Wanda Aguilar	9
Dorothy Antkowiak	2
Clyde Averitt	4
Patricia Badough	4.5
Kevin Braun	4
Sue Braun	10.5
Wayne Brown	15.5
Willie Brown	16
Robbie Gail Charette	4.5
Bob Cothern	31.75
Michael Cowan	16.5
Glen Daugherty	12
Stan Ford	74
Albert Green	52.5
Dale Green	2
Juanita Hickey	5.5
Larry Keller	18
Dick Klein	8.5
Howard Mead	6
Wayne Miller	2
Jerry Ondrias	3
Sherry Parker	38.25
Xochitlmari Rangel	4
Merlene Schumacher	2
Corina Smith	9.75
Mark Smith	6.5
Tony Smith	9
Laura Sparks	2
Clarence Steinfeld	41
Billy Sutherland	12.5
Annette Tiemann	14
Ron Upchurch	119.5
Ceci Wagner	6
Ron Wise	2
Catherine Wood	18
Chuck Wood	2

**Spring Forward** 

631.75

**TOTAL** 

this Sunday at 2 am



## **Grooming Woes**

A Sonnet by Rob Aguilar

Isn't ear hair funny?

But nose hair is so gross.

Removal could cost money,
but the alternative morose.

How about that blemish,
and that great big zit.

Makeup is not mannish,
But I have a cream for it!

Are your fingernails too long?

Check your toenails as well.

Use clippers, you can't go wrong.

I'll leave the toes, just don't tell.

Don't forget to comb your hair.

Not today, I just don't care!







Above: Our newest PD Officer, Jason Kasprowicz masters the art of traffic control on an incident at 36 N and Blue Bell Road.



The photo on the front page is of Sgt. Seth Klehm being flanked by his Shift and Command Staff after being named the American Legion Police Officer of the Year for 2016. His quick thinking and heroic actions were the talk of the town for sometime. Well the word has spread and now the 100 Club of the Greater Houston Area will name Sgt. Seth Klehm it's Police Officer of the Year for 2017 at it's 63rd Annual Heroes Awards Ceremony to be held on May 17th at the Bayou City Event. Seth will be one of 29 Officers to receive an award in the Greater Houston Area. *Congratulations*; you make us all so proud!!



# BRENHAM POLICE DEPARTMENT



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#### PSA - Banking Jugging

The Brenham Police Department is asking citizens to increase their awareness when conducting financial transactions that involve transporting large sums of cash. On Thursday February 2, 2017, a customer from one of Brenham's local financial institutions withdrew a significant amount of cash and was in the process of transporting the funds to a safe location. The customer stopped to run a quick errand and upon his return learned that suspect(s) forced entry into his vehicle and stole the money.

This type of criminal activity is known as Bank Jugging. Suspect(s) watch financial institutions looking for potential victims. When a victim is identified, suspect(s) will follow the target hoping for an opportunity to steal the cash by committing the act of theft, burglary or robbery. This type of criminal activity is common in the Houston area and unfortunately has returned to Brenham.

Please take the following measures to increase your safety and reduce your chances of being victimized:

- 1. Increase your level of awareness.
- 2. Transport large sums of cash only when necessary.
- 3. Be unpredictable and alter your practices.
- When transporting large sums of cash, travel directly from the financial institution to the location where the
  cash is immediately secured. Don't make any unnecessary stops.
- If suspicious activity/person(s) are observed, remain calm and report the information immediately to Washington County 911.
- If you are being followed, travel to a public location and remain on the telephone with Washington County 911 until law enforcement officers arrive. Ideally, travel to a public safety location.
- Avoid confronting suspect(s) and be a good witness by collecting physical descriptions of the suspects(s) and their vehicle(s).

Area Law Enforcement agencies are working together to identify suspect(s) and to prevent future criminal acts. Report all suspicious activities as soon as possible and most importantly stay safe.

Craig U. Goodman Chief of Police

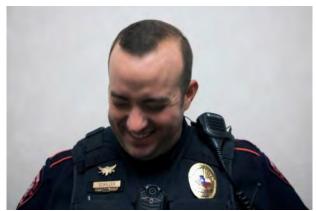
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"NO MAN IS ABOVE THE LAW AND NO MAN IS BELOW IT; NOR DO WE ASK ANY MAN'S PERMISSION WHEN WE REQUIRE HIM TO OBEY IT." THEODORE ROOSEVELT

The letter above is a Public Service Announcement (PSA) about Bank Jugging, and is very informative. The Chief made some good points in his "measures to increase your safety and reduce your chances of being victimized"; that we can all learn from. Read those measures and practice them; most can be tailored to fit many other situations that we encounter in our daily lives, not just bank jugging. **Be safe out there!** 



Sgt. Schiller was thinking long and hard about leaving us, to go "fly the friendly skies".



Well Justin made up his mind; he's going to be a pilot again; after all he'll be a Captain instead of a Sergeant. And Code 3 is about 600 miles an hour! Anyway, they had a going away party for him here at BPD (pictures above right). It was almost as good as the party they had for him at the Kinney Store after getting his SWAT Pin!! (at right)















On the same day BPD wished Justin Schiller well in his new endeavor; they also congratulated their newest Corporal.

Left: Holly Johnson pins on a shiny new Corporal's Badge onto her husbands chest (his shirt, really). Terrence Johnson is now a Corporal; his stripes are well deserved.

Right: Chief Goodman congratulates Terrence, after saying a few embarrassing words to the audience about how great Terrence is!!





## Valentines Day deliveries were a big success again this year!!

## THANK YOU

A BIG THANK YOU to all of the CPAAA/COP members that came out to deliver flowers Monday and Tuesday. Your efforts garnered us a check for \$700; that's a lot more than last year, and a great effort by all involved.

Your grateful Fundraiser Committee,

Clarence Steinfeld and

Annette Tiemann









## Our K-9's at Work











Top: Andy Adams and Rob-

Top: Andy Adams and Robbie getting some exercise at Brenham High School.



Left: Ronnie is doing much better after his life threatening illness and should be back at work soon.

Right: Hunter Andras and Ronnie a short time ago. What a great team!



### Class 31

Class 31 is well underway; here are some photos from their 1st session: Orientation Anyone look familiar??





1. The students are eager and waiting to begin! 2. Chief Goodman begins! 3. We all listen intently!









4. The Chief continues and then decides to choke the stunned student!!

5. Then Cpl. Chris Jackson jumps in to defuse the tense situation!!! Not really, just kidding!!!!







6. Corporals' Chris Jackson and Todd Ashorn try the double team teaching tactic (1 runs the slides while the other talks). Worked great since the remote was broken!

7.Todd checks his watch; it's "snack time", yeah!!







8. This first night of Class 31 went very well. It's a good looking group of diverse individuals including the Chief's wife and some of her friends (teachers from Alton Elementary). I hope they soaked in some of that information, because a lot was disseminated. And some jokes and funny stories were told as well.



## **Brenham Fire Department**















Playing with FIRE and winning!!







































## Brenham Fire Department

The above photos are of the CPA High School Class which toured the Fire Station the day of 2-23-17. The "C" Shift firefighters put on a great tour of their facilities, equipment, apparatus and procedures. Later that evening they duplicated their efforts and showed the adult CPA Class 31 members an awesome tour that included fire science demonstrations, a smoke filled building to search, and a ride in their aerial truck basket. See photos below and pages 8 and 10 of that presentation.







Great View, right!

Thank you to the Brenham Fire Department. Thank You to Fire Chief Ricky Boeker, Asst. Chief Brian Scheffer, Capt. Brett Schroeder, Driver Operators': Josh Sebastian, Andrew Jozwiak, Brent Folsom and Rhye Moschak for the great tour of the EOC, Fire Station, Trucks, equipment, your safety demonstrations and a fun ride into the atmosphere.







The Texas Best Practices Recognition Program is discussed in class. Sgt. Judson Hall is the lead instructor. He was assisted by Cpls' Jackson, Ashhorn, and Eilert.



Other subjects taught on this forth night of class were Mental Health Enforcement, Officer Training, Internal Affairs; and for the hands-on portion of the class—HANDCUFFING (pun intended). We had lots of instructors on hand to assist. A BIG THANK YOU to all the Officers that showed up!!







































Thanks to our handcuffing experts: Cpls' Jarred Campbell & Todd Ashorn, Ofcs' Jose Perez, Kejan Melhorn-Hock, & Alex Saenz.







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Happy St. Patrick's Day 3/17/17

**Reminder:** Sunday March 12th is the start of Daylight Savings Time. So remember to move your clocks forward ONE HOUR. (Spring Forward, Fall Back).



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4-16-17





Your 2017
Board of
Directors wishes to remind all
members that
membership
dues must be
paid by June 1st
to be kept on
the roster.
Thank you.