

The Informant

The Howard Mead Memorial Edition



Our dear friend and fellow COP Howard Mead passed away on January 21, 2020. We met Howard in 2015 when he entered CPA Class 29; he was a dedicated COP member that performed any and all COP duties with distinction. We dedicate this newsletter in his memory. Howard will be greatly missed. More on pages 3 and 4.

Congratulations to all of our BPD/COP 2019 Award Winners !!



Above: Patricia Badough— CPAAA Member of the Year, Richard Jares— COP of the Year, Ofc. Eddie Martinez— Police Officer of the Year and Tex Davis— Officer’s Choice Award winner, all for 2019. See pages 6,8 & 9.

Dates to remember this month

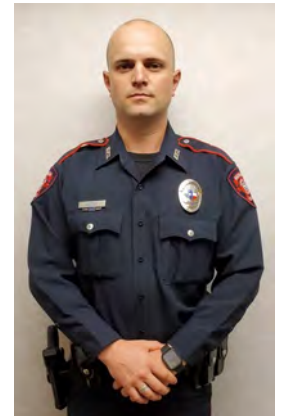
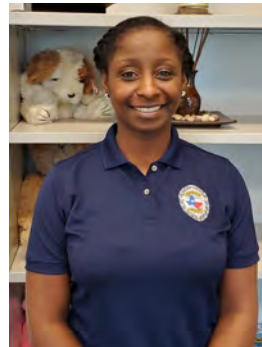
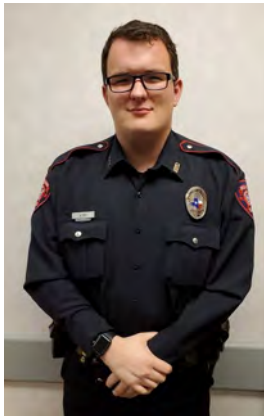
- General Meeting 6:30 pm 2-10
- 1st CPA Class 6:30 pm 2/13
- CPAAA Flower Deliveries 2/13
2/14
- 2nd CPA class 6:30pm 2/20
- 3rd CPA class 6:30pm 2/27
- Pipeline Safety 11 am 2-13

February PD Birthdays

- Cpl. Ashley Burns 2/20
- Ofc. Andy Adams 3/3

♥ Happy Valentines Day ♥

3 New Hires, see page 12



Thanks to following COP's for their help on:

January COP Hours

Rob Aguilar	51
Wanda Aguilar	9
Dorothy Antkowiak	12
Patricia Badough	32.75
Kevin Braun	4
Sue Braun	11
Willie Brown	16
Sunny Colpetzer	4
Bob Cothorn	36
Michael Cowan	12
Tex Davis	104
Doug Feist	51
Stan Ford	47.75
Albert Green	31.5
Dale Green	6.5
Jerry Jares	20.25
Richard Jares	163
Betty Martin	2
Sherry Parker	15.5
Kay Reichwein	11
Jon Siemsglusz	8.5
Kathleen Siemsglusz	13.5
Corina Smith	2
Mark Smith	6
Tony Smith	16
Laura Sparks	4
Clarence Steinfeld	13
Annette Tiemann	4
Ron Upchurch	42
Lori Walker	2.5
Darrell Weed	12
Catharine Wood	23.25

TOTAL 787

1-11-20 Pet Adoption Event: Richard Jares

1-11-20 Barnhill Center Event: Tex Davis, Richard Jares

1-18-20 The Uptown Swirl: Tex Davis, Patricia Badough, Clarence Steinfeld, Dorothy Antkowiak, Wanda Aguilar, Annette Tiemann, Richard Jares

1-24-20 The Guns and Hoses Blood Drive: Rob Aguilar

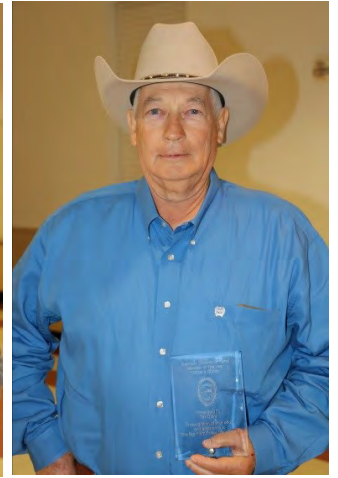
1-25-20 The Guns and Hoses Blood Drive: Kathleen Siemsglusz, Jon Siemsglusz, Richard Jares, Annette Tiemann, Patricia Badough, Wanda Aguilar, Sherry Parker, Clarence Steinfeld, Catharine Wood, Dorothy Antkowiak, Rob Aguilar



Richard Jares - our 2019 COP of the Year



Patricia Badough - our CPAAA Member of the Year for 2019



Tex Davis - the 2019 Officer's Choice Award winner



Left: Richard Jares directing traffic around an accident at 1900 S. Market Street.



Left: Your Board of Directors and Officers for 2020: L-R: Doug Feist, Rob Aguilar - Past President, Annette Tiemann - President, Mark Smith - Treasurer, Patricia Badough, Tony Smith, Sunny Colpetzer - Vice President, Albert Green, Kathleen Siemsglusz - Secretary, and Laura Sparks.



Badges, Certificates, and Trophies were presented at our BPD/COP Awards Banquet. Photos on pages 6,8, & 9



Howard Allen Mead

January 27, 1944 - January 21, 2020



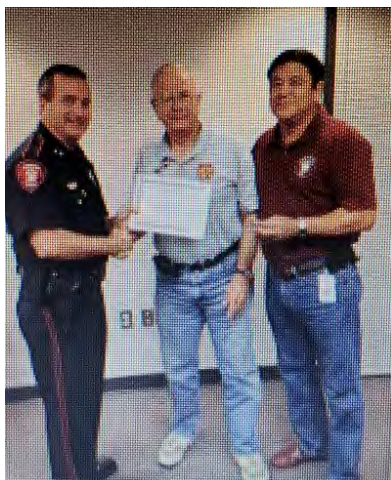
Howard Mead was born and raised in Houston, Texas. He was a veteran of the Vietnam War, serving in the U.S. Army. He earned a Bachelor's Degree with Honors in Business Administration from Sam Houston State University and worked as a Benefits Finance Manager at Tenneco Inc. Howard married the love of his life, Lana Anders, on May 31, 1969; they would have two children, Charles and Virgil.

Howard was heavily involved in the areas Boy Scouts of America program and served that organization in several leadership roles, including: Webelos Den Leader of Pack 647 from 1980-1981; Assistant Scoutmaster of Troop 631 from 1982-1983; Scoutmaster of Troop 631 in 1984; Scoutmaster of Troop 1177 from 1984-1989; Committee Chair of Troop 1177 in 1990; and Scoutmaster of Troop 277 in 2000. He was a Vigil Honor member of the Order of the Arrow; his Vigil Honor name was "Steadfast Guide On Scouting Trail". He also received the prestigious Silver Beaver Award in 1993.

Howard was a Life Member of the Jersey Village Volunteer Fire Department serving as a Firefighter, EMT and official photographer. He led the American Legion Jersey Village Post 324 as its Commander in 2009 and then was American Legion 8th District Commander from 2009-2010. He was also a member of the Knights of Columbus.

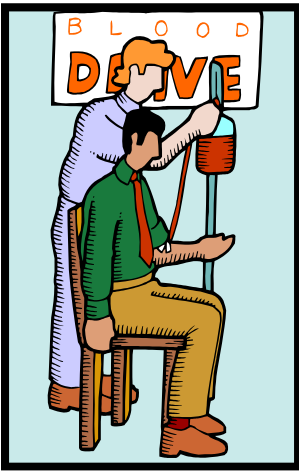
Howard Mead moved to Brenham in 2014 and immediately joined the Brenham Police Department family after graduating from the Citizens Police Academy, Class 29 in 2015. He became indispensable around the police station, learning everything he could about our organization. Howard earned the Lt.'s Gold Whistle Award, was a Brenham Elementary School Traffic Control Wizard and was a Gun Range Safety Officer. He would also take photographs at our events which were used on Facebook and in our newsletter, the Informant.

Below: Howard working our fundraiser.





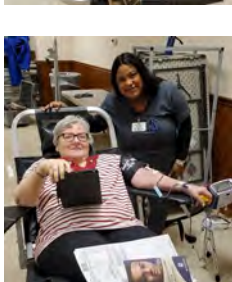
Our first Guns and Hoses Blood Drive in 2020 was a big success. On Friday, January 24th the Donor Coach was at City Hall and collected 24 Total Units; which was good. Saturday's Drive was at the Fireman's Training Center. Total units collected was 36, which was also good. But what was even better was the public relations aspect of the event and the fun that we all had! **Thank you** to all that came out to donate and **Thanks** to all of my helpers for that day which included: **COP's Wanda Aguilar, Annette Tiemann, Kathleen Siemsglusz, Jon Siemsglusz, Richard Jares, Patricia Badough, Dorothy Antkowiak, Sherry Parker, and Catharine Wood, Clarence Steinfeld, Rob Aguilar (all pictured below) and Fire Fighter - Karl "Corky" Geessler.**

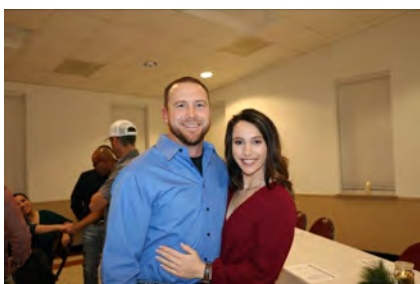


Our next Guns and Hoses Blood Drive will be in April. I'll keep everyone posted.

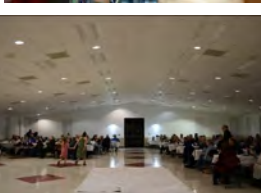


Blood donations from our group were given by: David Holloway, Clarence Steinfeld, Mark Smith, Billy Bender, Kathleen Siemsglusz, Stan Ford, Jerry Jares, Dorothy Antkowiak. See if you can pick them out from these pictures. ***Thanks Guys!!***

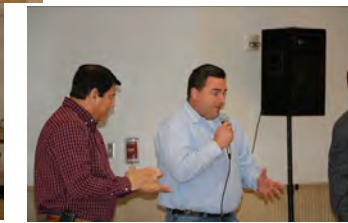




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Alyson Tofel
and Rob
Aguilar



See anyone you know?



Through My Window

By Rob Aguilar

*Through my window I can see,
a blue sky and a car whizzing by.*

*The trees seem to touch the sky,
as I look outside.*

*I stare a bit at the swaying trees;
and can almost feel that cooling breeze.*

*The weather is changing before my eyes,
a storm is brewing, I must be wise.*

*Stay indoors and enjoy nature's show;
or go outside and feel the blow.*

Later the sky turns black,

and I turn my back;

from the wind and snow.

From the flakes of snow I know;

that it's winter and it's cold!



Can't We All Just Get Along

A Sonnet by Rob Aguilar

Can't we all just get along; was a very popular saying;
it was not so long ago, the words didn't mean a thing.

But even farther back in time, when those words were muttered;
after the beating of Rodney King, was when they were uttered.

Today in our political climate, the way that things are;
people need to lighten up and not take things too far.

We should try to work together and make our country strong;
by working for this common goal, we will never go too wrong.

It matters not your political party or your affiliation;
what matters most is taking care of what affects our nation.

The same degree of care should be taken at the local level;
without a second thought, in that endeavor we should revel.

With no prejudice or malice, in our heart or in our mind;
can't we all just get along, and to everyone be kind !



Once again this year we will be delivering flowers for Brenham Floral on Valentines Day. CPAAA members are needed to help with the deliveries. We will be delivering on 2 consecutive days, the 13th, and 14th. If you can help, please contact Annette Tiemann at 979-277-8444 or email her at: annettet1950@yahoo.com (Brenham Floral has moved to 707 S. Austin St.)



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*Say Cheese
Please!*



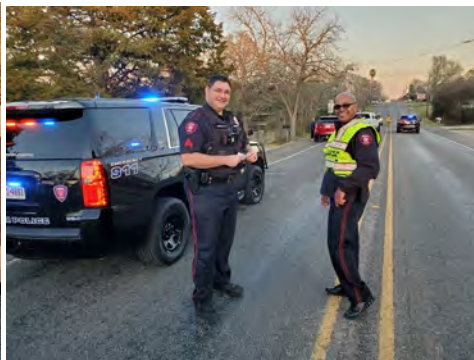


L: I think everyone had a great time at our banquet, but Eddie's son had the best time of all. That cake was good, and that smile says it all!



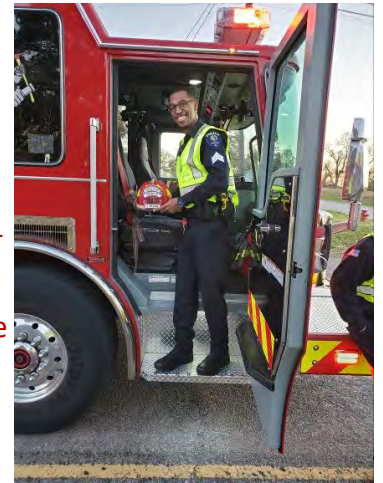


L & R: Jon Siemsglusz and Richard Jares clown around at the Guns and Hoses Blood Drive. Richard, Pink is your color!

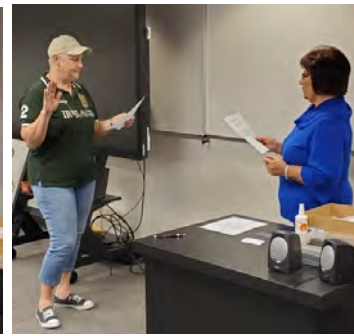
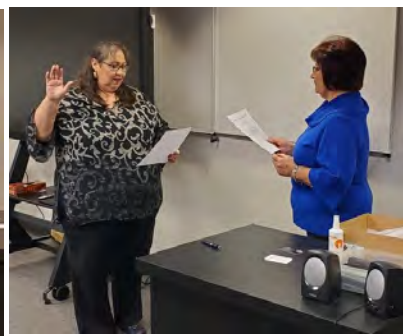


Left: Sgt. Joe Merkley and Lt. Kelvin Raven work the scene of an accident on Main St..

Right: Blinn PD Sgt. Darius Smith tries on a fire helmet at the same accident scene.



We'll be in good hands in 2020!!



Above: Our new CPAAA President, **Annette Tiemann** is sworn-in by out-going President **Rob Aguilar**. Annette then swears-in her new Vice-President, **Sunny Colpetzer**, then she swears-in her new Secretary, **Kathleen Siemsglusz** and then she swears-in new Director, **Doug Feist**. Her Board of Directors and new Officers are all in place and ready serve. Congratulations to all the new (and old) Board Members and Officers; **good luck in 2020!**



Far right: CPAAA President **Annette Tiemann** presents out-going President **Rob Aguilar** with a plaque; thanking him for serving as CPAAA President for the past 2 years!!





On Saturday, January 11th the Brenham Fire Department had its Holiday Party and Awards Banquet. Myself and Wanda were there, and we sat at an all CPA Alum table, with Stacie Oberrender, Sherry Parker and Clarence Steinfeld. We had a great meal and visited with old friends and even made some new ones. The Banquet is always concluded with the announcement of the Firefighter of the Year (last year that honor fell to me), this years' winner was BPD's very own IT Guru, Pam Ruemke. Pam was deserving of this award after serving the BFD since 2006 as a Firefighter and an Arson Investigator for the department. Pam is a certified Peace Officer and certified Firefighter which makes her uniquely qualified to perform fire investigations. She is the first woman in the department to hold this title. Pam says, "she was shocked and honored to win the award". Pam started her career as a dispatcher for the Brenham Police Department in 1985 and rose to the position of Communications Supervisor. The County took over communications duties for the city; and Pam wanted to stay working for the city of Brenham, and transferred to the Information Technology (IT) department. She is currently the Public Safety Information Technology Administrator for the city and oversees the Brenham Police Department and Fire Department. Fire Chief Ricky Boeker said, "it's good to have her on the team, so that she can help make sure that we are doing everything the right way. She takes her job very seriously, and she does an excellent job". I have to echo what Chief Boeker had to say, I'm glad she is on our team too!



Right: Pam's entire family was there, hiding in the wings, until the big announcement. They were all so proud; as, were we all. **Congratulations Pam!!**

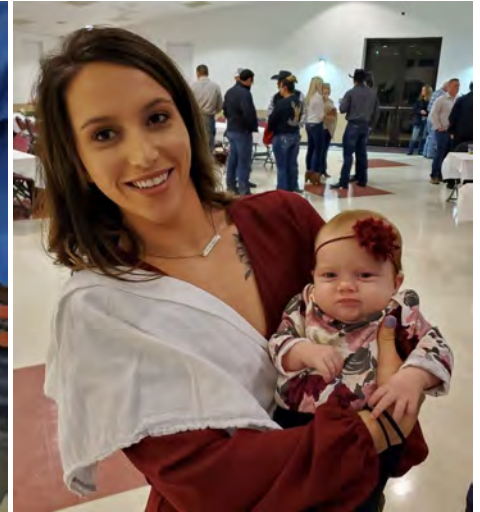




Ofc. **Marley Mayo** and Inv. **Kevin Mertz** show off their new bundle of joy, at the Awards Banquet. How cute are they!!!



Emery couldn't be any prettier!!!



Emery was born on 11-21-19

Just too cute!!



Left and far left: Sgts. Seth Klehm and Jonathan Phipps take the mic to say a few words about the Police Officer of Year recipient - Ofc. Eddie Martinez. They did a great job praising and embarrassing Eddie!

Right and far right: Ofc. Eddie Martinez gives the shortest acceptance speech in BPD history!

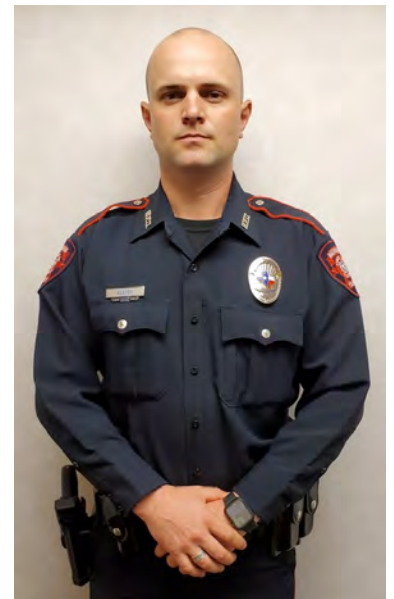


Come by the CPAAA General Meeting this Monday at 6:30 pm and meet our 2 new Police Officers. Stop by BPD on any week day during business hours and say hello to our new Patrol Support Specialist.

Ofc. Connor Joseph Caskey

Patrol Support Specialist Berneake Gantt

Ofc. Michael Lee Alston Jr.



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