Newsletter of the Brenham, TX Citizen Police Academy Alumni Association

## **JUNE 2021**

# The Informant



### **Calendar of Events:**

General Meeting @ 6:30pm 6-14

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**Hot Nights Cool Tunes starts 7-10** 









Kappy Birthday Brenham PD

Misty McCowan 6-3

Capt. Lloyd Powell 6-13

Det. Kevin Mertz 6-26

On May 20th in a City Council Meeting; the Mayor and Council recognized three BPD Officers who were promoted to the rank of Corporal. They were *Zackary Greig, Alex Saenz* and *Andrea Guerra*; they are flanked in the photo by Lt. Kelvin Raven, Lt. Curtiss Schoen and Capt. Lloyd Powell. The other 3 photos show them getting their new badges pinned on. These promotions are well deserved and have been earned by hard work, training, diligence, testing and devotion to duty. *Congratulations to all three of our new Corporals!* 



Remember Dad June 20th





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Maifest Parade pics! More on pages 11,12



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## Thanks to the following COPs for their help on:

**5-7-21 First Friday Farmers Market and Artisan Event:** Tex Davis and Richard Jares.

**5-8-21 Maifest Parade:** Ernest Dever, Wayne Miller, Tex Davis, Frank Nowak, Juanita Gockel, Doug Feist and Rob Aguilar.

**5-27-21 Call-Out for Traffic Control at 4-Corners:** Richard Jares, Tex Davis.

5-29-21 BHS Graduation Parking Assignment: Dorothy Antkowiak, Annette Tiemann, Dale Green, Wayne Miller, Laura Sparks, Kevin Braun, Ron Upchurch, Tex Davis, Richard Jares, Chris Brown, Bob Cothern, Doug Feist, Julie Wilson, Tony Smith, Juanita Gockel, and Rob Aguilar.

## 5-31-21 Ruck March Escort: Richard Jares



Left: Tex Davis talks with citizen at Farmers Market. Right: Dorothy Antkowiak, Chief Ron Parker and Debbie Parker at the First Friday Farmers Market & Artisan Event 5-7

Below: Ernest Dever making sure his COP vehicle is ready for the Maifest Parade. He and Wayne Miller represented us well!



Below: Darrell Weed, Ron Upchurch, Bob Cothern and Richard Jares all breathed a simultaneous sigh of relief as they had just concluded their last school traffic assignment for this school year. Ahhhh!! Below: Dorothy stuffs
Officers' mail boxes
with their Police
Week gift from the
CPAAA. A \$25 Gift
Card to Mariachi's
Restaurant. Yum!!



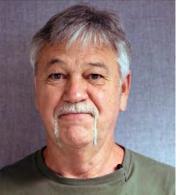
## May COP Hours

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Rob Aguilar	79.25
Wanda Aguilar	6
Dorothy Antkowiak	13
Patricia Badough	19.25
Kevin Braun	5
Sue Braun	4.5
Chris Brown	10.5
Willie Brown	16
Bob Cothern	34.5
Michael Cowan	16
Tex Davis	158
Ernest Dever	5.25
Peter Emerson	3
Doug Feist	69
Stan Ford	39.75
Juanita Gockel	23.75
Albert Green	3
Dale Green	12
Jeff Hagerlin	7
Mary Claire Herman	5.25
Jerry Jares	9.75
Richard Jares	66.75
Wayne Miller	12.5
Frank Nowak	41.25
Debbie Parker	5
Kay Reichwein	13.75
Kathleen Siemsglusz	3
Corina Smith	3 4
Mark Smith	5
Tony Smith	14.5
Laura Sparks	13.5
Clarence Steinfeld	3
Annette Tiemann	44
Ron Upchurch	31.75
Darrell Weed	18
Julie Wilson	6
Catharine Wood	16

## TOTAL 837.75



Above: CPAAA Vice-President Richard Jares is at Cub Stadium to present the Ofc. Marsha Ellis Ulrich Memorial Scholarship, but the recipient didn't show up. She will still receive the award.



A Big THANK YOU to COP Doug Feist for making sure our fleet of vehicles is ready to roll. Maintenance is an important function in our organization and it's something most of us take for granted. So, thank Doug next time you see him!

# Thank You



























We had plenty of help for the BHS Graduation Parking Assignment with 16 COPs showing up.











The Washington County Peace Officers Association (WCPOA) held a solemn ceremony on the northside of the Washington County Courthouse the morning of Friday, May 14th. In attendance were peace officers from Washington County (BPD, WCSO, Constables, Game Wardens, Fire Marshals, Blinn PD, etc) along with city and county officials, chaplains, firefighters, citizens, and students. The gathering was organized by the WCPOA to honor those officers that have given their life in the line of-duty. Deputy Daniel Gaskamp spoke about how the past year has been especially tough for law enforcement; and thanked those who continue to go out of their way to encourage peace officers. BPD Capt. Lloyd Powell read a list of officers in the State of Texas who have died in the line-of-duty in the past year. The ceremony concluded with the playing of taps and with the laying of a wreath at the WCPOA Monument near the courthouse steps. Our own Lt. Kelvin Raven and Deputy Constable William Shepard had the honor of laying the wreath. (the wreath, by the way was made by our own Jean Luera). Having the ceremony during National Police Week was an added bonus and fitting tribute to our men and women in Blue. *We Salute You!!* 



Flag Day is June 14th Display yours proudly

This year for National Police Week the CPAAA gave each BPD officer a Gift Card. Dorothy, Annette and Dale hand delivered these cards to BPD. They found Andrea, Jason, Tommy, Lloyd and Marley in the bldg.!!













Lenox Long Ha came into the world at 9:54 am on June 3rd, 2021 at 5lbs 13oz and 19" long. Congratulations to proud parents Jimmy & Alandra Ha. Another great addition to the growing BPD Family



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Our Dear friend and fellow COP, Howard Mead passed away January 21, 2020. He was taken much too soon. The Vietnam Veterans Memorial Fund (VVMF) agrees with that statement and has announced that it will be inducting Howard into the "In Memory" program this fall. According to VVMF, since the Vietnam War ended, thousands of Vietnam veterans have suffered due to Agent Orange exposure, PTSD, and other illnesses as a result of their service.

The In Memory program honors those veterans whose lives were cut short as a result of their service after they returned home. The announcement was just in time for Memorial Day and Howard will be one of 38 veterans from Texas to be inducted. There was no ceremony last year, due to Covid-19, so this years number of inductees is a bit higher with 600 nation wide. The ceremony will take place in Washington DC at the Vietnam Veterans Memorial. Howard's wife Lana, his son Charles and his wife Jennifer and other son Virgil and his wife Stephanie all plan to be in attendance at the October ceremony in Washington DC.

# Tour of Dispatch & Radio Class Page 6





The COP Radio Class was coupled with a tour of the E-911 Dispatch Center, because CPA Class 35 didn't get to tour the facility. It was another fun night of learning.

## BISD / COP Luncheon



Our Host-Dr. Tylor Chaplin greets Capt. Dant Lange.



Our Hostess-Debbie Gaskamp, chats with Tex Davis.



Our other Hostess-Jackie Eckert helps serve our hungry crew. The main course was chicken spaghetti, and it was delicious. We had homemade strawberry topped cake for dessert. Yum Yum!!



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It was nice to meet and talk to the Superintendent of Schools Dr. Tylor Chaplin. And our hostesses did a great job to see that we had all that we needed in terms of food and drink. It was also a nice reminder that schools out and summer vacation is here.





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A BIG THANK YOU to all that helped with the Mother's Day Flower Delivery Fundraiser. Dorothy Antkowiak, Dale Green, Annette Tiemann, Wanda Aguilar, Rob Aguilar, Corina Smith, Ron Upchurch, Julie Wilson, Laura Sparks, Patricia Badough and Patricia's granddaughter Kelsey Wilkinson. We raised \$625 with this effort. Thank You!









Above: Retired BPD Cpl. Bob Lawrence (far right) teaches a Criminal Justice Class at BHS. He asked if we could help him with a Traffic Stops Class. Myself, Bob Cothern and Ofc. Richelle Malinowski helped his 3 classes with their simulations.



















Left & Right: Catharine Wood and Willie Brown with their typical morning BES School Traffic Assignment. GOOD JOB!!

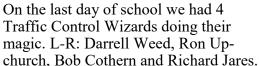


















Another school year is in the books. We are losing 2 of our crack team members; Darrell Weed and Willie Brown have hung up their whistles and vests. If anyone is interested in helping with Brenham Elementary School traffic, please let us know so we can train and equip you for the upcoming school year. *Thank You!* 





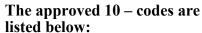






**Note:** Unless necessary for officer safety, officers and communications specialist are to utilize "plain English"

when communicating on our radio system. Signals and other 10 codes are still utilized for data entry and where officer safety is a concern.



10-4: Acknowledgement

10-6: Busy unless urgent (lunch, etc.)

**10-33**: Emergency situation

10-94: Secure radio

10-96: possible mentally ill person

10-99: wanted or stolen















These 7 photos are of an ATV rollover accident on Mustang Road. EMS, WC Air One, BFD, SO, DPS and even BPD's own Capt. Lange were all on location to assist; we even had bystander participation. It was a seamless TEAM effort with the desired outcome of all incidents.

Below and Right: Ofc. Armando Guerra and Cpl. Zack Greig handle an accident at S. Chappell Hill St and Hwy 290 access road. EMS and BFD also made scene.







Below: Cpl. Eddie Martinez at a hit-andrun accident by HEB. COP Annette Tiemann's car was the vehicle hit. Annette and the witnesses are below left.





The 2021 Maifest Parade was held on Saturday May 8th, much to the delight of thousands of parade goers and participants. The crowd seemed larger than I remember the usual crowds to be; I guess everyone in Brenham and surrounding areas were ready to come out and enjoy the sunshine. And, who doesn't love a parade? While I was working this event, doesn't mean that I didn't enjoy myself; quite the contrary, I had fun. I was also training new COP candidate Juanita Gockel. I had told her that these events are the easy and fun events to work; and afterwards she agreed completely. I did manage to take a few photos of our COP and BPD officers working the event; except for COP Doug Feist who was not within easy walking distance of my assigned spot of Alamo and Park, as he was at Ross and Main (Sorry, Doug!). COPs Wayne Miller and Ernest Dever were in our COP entry in the parade, Tex Davis and his COP candidate Frank Nowak were at Park and Main. Lt. Kelvin Raven and Sgt. Steven Eilert were in the BPD parade entry, our Ranger. (more on page 12)

I know they were having fun, you could see it in their faces as they went down the parade route smiling and waving at the crowds. That day and that parade felt very normal to me in the aftermath of a horrible pandemic lockdown of the past 15 months. It did my heart good to see all of the smiling and mask less faces enjoying themselves in downtown Brenham again. Not to mention all of the old friends and new friends that I ran into that day. I know that Juanita had a great time meeting some new friends like Mayor Milton Tate, Firefighter Matt Janner, firefighter Alex Knight and his family, Interim Fire Chief Rhea Cooper and his wife Tracey, and our dear friend Miss Sunshine - Lete Philips. *Everyone loves a parade!* I think? I know I do!!



L-R: Tracey Cooper, Fire Chief Rhea Cooper, Asst. Chief Ronald Benke and Juanita Gockel



Mayor Milton Tate greeting Lt. Curtiss Schoen



Juanita Gockel meeting parade goer and participant Mayor Milton Tate.



Juanita with Sgt. Steven Eilert and Firefighter Matt Janner



Above: Lt. Kelvin Raven with an EMS representative giving directions to parade goers.



Below: Miss Sunshine, Lete Philips and Rob Aguilar enjoying a hug and the parade!





Below: Ernest Dever makes sure the car is Parade-ready.



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A Dad is respected because he gives his children leadership.
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A Dad is loved because he gives his children the one thing they treasure most - himself.

# HAPPY FATHER'S DAY