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Euleless Citizens Police Academy Alumni Association Monthly Newsletter

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2012 Officers

President: Loretta Doty

1st Vice President: Sandi Jones

2nd Vice President: Pete Jones

Secretary: Susan Vest

Treasurer: Steve Doty

Parliamentarian: Jerry Goad

EPD Liaisons: Captain Gary Landers
and Senior Corporal Tony Burnett

Committees

Bereavement: Sharon Finnegan

Hospitality: Sharon Finnegan and
Helen Wagner

Newsletter: Leah Benoit

Submissions Welcome!

Do you have any funny stories,
e-mails, or photos to share with
our members?

Please e-mail your police-related
submissions to
lbenoit@vha.com

Submissions are due the first day
of each month.

Link to ECPAAA Web Page

<http://www.ecpaaa.org/>

Link to ECPAAA Calendar

<http://www.ecpaaa.org/cal.htm>

Link to ECPAAA Events List

[http://www.ecpaaa.org/
event.htm](http://www.ecpaaa.org/event.htm)

2013 ECPAAA Board

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John Luna

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Leah Benoit

Secretary

Doris Hammond

Treasurer

Kyla Oberg

CONGRATULATIONS!

Jerry (JR) Goad was inducted into
the Hurst-Euleless-Bedford ISD Hall of
Fame last month. JR was one of six
winners for 2012 and received the
Distinguished Volunteer award.

JR has been a volunteer reader at
Wilshire Elementary School for over
20 years and is a member of the
HEB ISD Education Foundation
Board of Directors.

Congratulations on this special award and thank you for everything that
you do for the Euleless Citizens Police Academy Alumni Association.

We are proud of you!

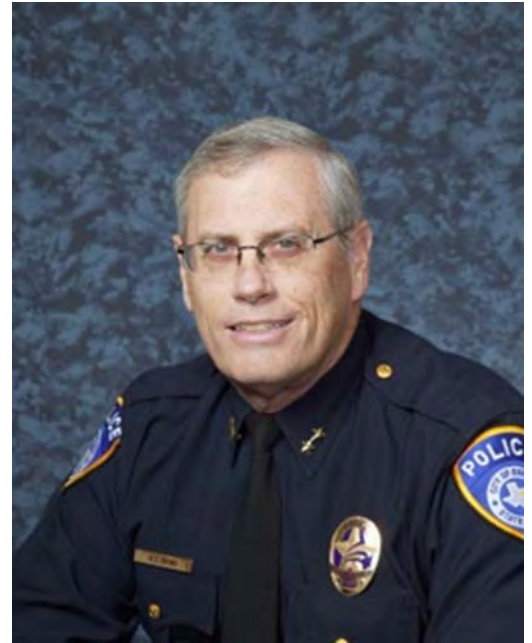


Our Mission: To provide the citizens of Euleless a better understanding of the dedication and integrity of the police department.

From the Desk of Chief Mike Brown

I hope you all had a fantastic Thanksgiving! There was food, fun and family at my house. I am truly blessed with family, friends and a great life.

The Holiday Season is a time for thinking about your blessings and putting others before yourself. Last year at this time we were still reeling from the unexpected death of Officer Richard Wong. When I think about the things that mean the most to me, I remember the show of love and support that was displayed by the CPAAA to Richard's family and the way we all came together to celebrate his life and mourn his passing. It's been a year, but it still seems like yesterday to me. Personally, I made it through my first Trinity High School Football season without him. I was honored that his brother Robert still came to the games and shared the season with us. Officer Scott Axton was called on to fill Officer Wong's position at Trinity and has done an amazing job at bringing healing and support to that campus. Officer Axton is making his own mark on Trinity and is having a tremendous impact on the lives of the students there. I cannot be more proud of Scott and all the great things he is doing at Trinity.



There is another anniversary that happens at this same time each year. On November 28, 1982 Officer Michael Ray Williamson #96 was killed, while on duty, by a drunk driver. This year marked the 30th anniversary of his tragic death. For those of you who attended the brief recognition service at the Police and Fire Memorial on Wednesday the 28th, you witnessed the fact that time cannot heal all wounds and that Officer Williamson's sacrifice is still remembered and appreciated to this day. Though it was a brief ceremony it was attended by all six (6) of his children, his widow, his mother and father and brothers and sisters. There was a large contingent of police and fire personnel along with city officials and various members of the public. Eules Fire Fighter Chris Williamson, Mike's youngest son, wrote a poem and read it at this ceremony. In reality, the ceremony should have ended with his words. He wrote about the man he never knew. Chris was only 6 months old when his father gave his life in service to this community. I will leave you with his words.

**THERE WAS A MAN SOME NEVER KNEW
A HERO DRESSED IN A UNIFORM OF BLUE
WHO MADE A SUPREME SACRIFICE
ONE, IN WHICH, WOULD CHANGE MY LIFE
HE WAS GIVEN TO US BY GOD'S GOOD GRACE
BUT SADLY LEFT BEFORE I KNEW HIS FACE
AN UNFORTUNATE, UNTIMELY CIRCUMSTANCE
NOW WITH MY SISTERS HE'LL NEVER DANCE
OR TEACH MY BROTHERS AND ENJOY THE FUN
OF SHOWING THEM TO SHOOT A GUN
OR HEAR MY DAUGHTERS TELL HIM THANKS
AFTER ASKING HIM TO FEED THEIR PIGGY BANKS
AND NEVER COME HOME TO HIS WIFE
WHO WAS NO DOUBT, THE LOVE OF HIS LIFE
OR GET THE CHANCE TO CONGRATULATE
HIS GRANDCHILDREN AS THEY GRADUATE**

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THIS SACRIFICE HE KNOWINGLY TOOK
TO UPHOLD THE LAW BY THE BOOK
SO HERE WE GATHER TO SHOW OUR LOVE
AS HE SMILES DOWN FROM UP ABOVE
HERE WE STAND TO CELEBRATE AND REMEMBER
A FELLOW COLLEAGE, FRIEND, AND FAMILY MEMBER
THOUGH THIS DAY MAY SEEM SAD
WE SMILE AND SAY, WE LOVE YOU DAD
I KNOW THAT IT, WAS NOT GOODBYE
IT WAS NOT THE END, I'LL SEE YOU AGAIN
AND ON THAT FATEFUL DAY, WHEN I FINALLY SEE YOU
I'LL MEET THE MAN I NEVER KNEW.

Thanks again for all you do for us! Merry Christmas to you and your family.

Your Servant,

ALUMNI CORNER



Spotlight on Stacey Foust

by Rosemarie Stevens

Stacey has lived in Euless for only one year and has chosen to become involved with our wonderful city by becoming a member of the Euless Citizens Police Academy Alumni Association. Marvelous! She is employed by the City of Euless as a full-time school crossing guard for Midway Park Elementary School and started working there in August 2012. This is another form of service to our community.

She was born in Irving, Texas, as was her mother before her. Her father was born in Kentucky, but her parents, whom she described as wonderful, now live in Rockwall, Texas. Stacey was an only child and has no children of her own; however, she does have a Rottweiler dog that has become her devoted child. She wrote that the dog she adopted from the Hurst Animal Shelter a few years ago "has been with me through thick and thin, good times and bad." Her beloved companion has also had some police-related training, and "when she sees a police officer or a patrol car, she is always eager to meet whoever is behind the wheel and go for a ride!"

Stacey enjoys taking her dog for walks around the surrounding neighborhoods, and she likes to travel throughout the United States. She also enjoys watching good action movies, eating good food, and planting flowers and vegetables around her house. In fact, her favorite types of movies are action-packed or scary. Her favorite reading material is "Cosmopolitan Magazine."

When asked what she enjoyed most about the CPA class, she indicated that she most enjoyed the role play involving felony traffic stops. It gave her a first-hand idea of just what the officers do in traffic situations.

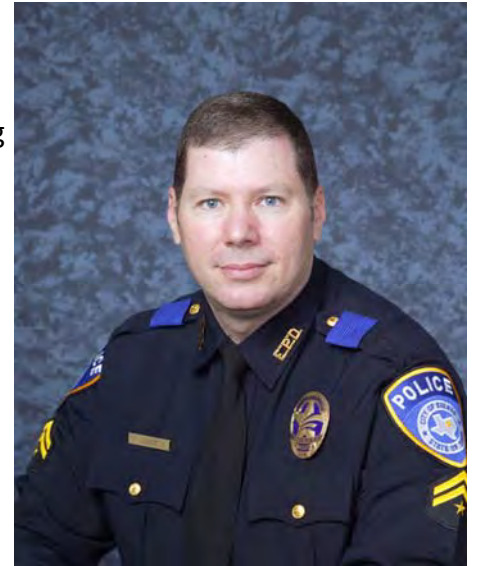
What she enjoys most about being a part of ECPAAA is the opportunity to meet our police officers and literally getting to go behind the scenes to understand what their job entails. Stacey would like to learn more about K9 officers and their dogs. She would like to see how well trained the dogs are in whatever they are trained to do. "They, too, serve and protect not only their partners" but also help to reduce the drugs on our streets.

Stacy truly appreciated the cute police officer bobble head statue inscribed "top cop" she received at the time of her graduation from the CPA class.



EPD Liaison — Senior Corporal Tony Burnett

Congratulations to the new board members and I look forward to working with everyone in the New Year. I want to also wish everyone happy holidays from the NPO office. I say it all the time and I will say it again; we could not do our jobs without you. You are definitely a force multiplier. I recently posted on our Facebook page that we had three major accidents in one day. I wish I could say that it was unusual but it's becoming more frequent. If you are traveling this holiday season please be careful. The holidays bring extra traffic and all this construction doesn't help our already congested roadways. Speaking of Facebook, be sure to "friend" the Police Department so you can see our post. Our Facebook page is growing. One of our recent posts received over 750 views in less than 24 hours. There isn't a building in the city I could host that large of a crime watch to get the same message out to that many people. Times are changing and we're trying to use technology to benefit both of us. Class # 29 of the Citizens Police Academy is starting in February so tell your neighbors, friends and relatives to join us. Also, I will have some announcements about CPA curriculum changes at our January meeting. James is looking at his RAD schedule next year so let him know if you're interested in attending one of his classes.



I am very excited about 2013 and the Alumni Association. This is going to be a great year. I predict that the Association is going to grow again this year and we're going to have a good representation for the State Conference being held in Arlington over the summer. There will be more details passed along to you as we receive them. Al Simmenroth thinks that we should all wear white cowboy hats at the conference so people know who we are. Loren Johnson should be wearing a black hat, just saying. We will have time to discuss all these things next year. Either way, this Association has an excellent reputation around the state and you will once again make us proud.

I want to pay out some compliments before closing. Thank you to all of this year's board members for your time and sacrifice to make the Association the best it can be. Your hard work did not go unnoticed. There are so many of you that serve so much and do it regularly. You are simply an amazing group of people.

I want to mention two guys that work hard for you every day, James Gordon and Chris White. These guys impress me all the time. This past year they made a commitment to take ALL of our programs to the next level and to do it without sacrificing anything else we do. They still help out the School Resource Officers, assist Patrol with problem areas and the Training Officers with reoccurring training for the Police Department. On top of that they volunteered to help with new programs like Facebook and robbery prevention training for convenience stores. I am proud to serve with these guys. Come by and ask about Texas A&M football..... I need the break!

November 2012 Volunteer Hours

CART Training – 35 Hours 0 Minutes

CID Clerical – 30 Hours 15 Minutes

Citizens On Patrol – 78 Hours 15 Minutes

Includes the following:

COP Car – 67 Hours 45 Minutes

COP Sky Tower – 10 Hours 30 Minutes

Number of Handicap Citations Issued – 4

Courts – 28 Hours 30 Minutes

Crime Victims Assistance Program – 8 Hour 0 Minutes

Eules Police Club – 42 Hours 0 Minutes

Jail – 10 Hours 0 Minutes

Meetings – 23 Hours 30 Minutes

Includes the following:

ECPA Board Meeting – 23 Hours 30 Minutes

Miscellaneous – 50 Hours 30 Minutes

Speed Trailer – 6 Hours 0 Minutes

Vehicle Maintenance – 64 Hours 30 Minutes

Watering of Plants – 5 Hours 0 Minutes

Grand Total – 381 Hours 30 Minutes

November National Value of Volunteer Time — \$8,312.89

YTD 2012 National Value of Volunteer Time — \$139,172.73

November Meeting — 37 Alumni Members Present

Upcoming Events

Dec 11 — City Council Meeting, 7:00 pm, City Hall

Dec 12 — Amateur Radio Eules, 7:00 pm, Eules Police Department Emergency Operations Center

Dec 15 — Ice Fest, 2:30 pm, Dr Pepper StarCenter, 1400 S. Pipeline Road W

Dec 15 — Breakfast with Santa, 9:30 am—12:00 noon, Texas Star Conference Centre, 1400 Texas Star Parkway

Dec 18 — ECPAAA Board Meeting, 6:15 pm; General Meeting, 7:00 pm, Eules Police Department

Dec 25 — **Merry Christmas!**

Jan 1 — **Happy New Year!**

Jan 5 — CPAANT Meeting , 10:00 am — 12:00 noon, Mesquite (location & directions can be found on www.cpaant.org)

Jan 8 — City Council Meeting, 7:00 pm, City Hall

Jan 9 — Amateur Radio Eules, 7:00 pm, Eules Police Department Emergency Operations Center

Jan 15 — ECPAAA Board Meeting, 6:15 pm; General Meeting, 7:00 pm, Eules Police Department

Jan 24 — Town Hall Meeting, 7:00 pm; 201 N. Ector Drive

Happy Birthday ECPAAA Members

Jud Park — 12/12

Leah Benoit — 12/18

Sheli Konecny — 12/18



Kyla Oberg — 12/18

Kerry Konecny — 12/23

Patrick Hinde — 12/30

EULESS CITIZENS POLICE ACADEMY ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

November 20, 2012

Meeting Called to Order at 7:00 PM

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Jerri Balkon, Melody Balkon, Perry Brockmeyer, Brenda Brown, Rusty Brown, Sherri Browning, Shirley Daily, Sharon Finnegan, J.R. Goad, Doris Hammond, Lorri Henderson, Loren Johnson, Pete Jones, Sandi Jones, Jerrie Keller, Sue Kosec, Maura Krista, John Luna, Don Martin, Dawn Nisbet, Kyla Oberg, Betty Overstreet, Renee Potter, Betty Priddy, Judy Rick, Cynthia Schmidt, Carroll Scott, Al Simmenroth, Barney Snitz, Rose-Marie Stevens, Faye Stinneford, Tim Stinneford, Tammy Van Horne, Tyler Van Horne, Peggy Vandiver, Susan Vest and Helen Wagner

Sandi Jones presided over the General Meeting.

NEW BUSINESS:

Sue Kosec handed out the 2013 Executive Board Nomination Ballots. Executive Officers for 2103 are:
President – Loretta Doty; 1st Vice President – John Luna; 2nd Vice President – Leah Benoit; Treasurer – Kyla Oberg and Secretary – Doris Hammond. Congratulations.

Sandi Jones handed out BBQ thank you letters, thanked Judy Rick for the food and announced birthdays.

Tim Stinneford made a motion to accept the October Minutes, second by

Faye Stinneford. Motion passed.

Budget Committee: The 2013 Budget will be voted on at the December meeting.

Sandi Jones announced that the Association does not provide food for Thanksgiving, however desserts are always welcome.

Sandi also mentioned that Julie Watkins will be heading up the Christmas meals that the Association provides for both shifts on Christmas day. Again, any and all desserts are welcome.

The next CPAANT Meeting will be held on December 1 in Duncanville. Contact Geri Sorg if interested in going.

Christmas Parade: J.R. asked that all parking lot volunteers be at Trinity for 4:30 pm. The mural for the car was also discussed for those who want to help finish and install it on the car. A driver is still needed along with walking volunteers.

Merchandise: Faye announced that we have all kinds of merchandise for sale.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 pm.



November Volunteer Hours Comparison By Lou Baum

Month

2012 – 381 Hours

2011 – 412 Hours

9% Decline

Year-to-date

2012 – 6,387 Hours

2011 – 5,207 Hours

22% Increase

**KEEP UP THE GREAT
WORK!**

Tony Burnett's Christmas Wish List for Santa

- 1) iPad Case with Bluetooth Keyboard
- 2) Scott's Push Spreader
- 3) Campbell Hausfield (any good brand) Rubber 3/8" x 50' Air Hose
- 4) Braun Series 3 Electric Shaver 320S-4
- 5) American Eagle Gift Cards or Clothes
- 6) iTunes Card - Any Denomination
- 7) Casio Men's Sport Watch
- 8) Scosche 600 Watt (or higher) Amp Kit
- 9) American Red Cross Solar Crank Radio
- 10) Gift Cards to Home Depot or Lowes

Wonder if Santa will bring him everything on his wish list?

November 2012 Treasurer's Report

INCOME	November	YTD Income	Annual Budget	Over/Under Budget
12/31/11 Balance in Checking— \$19,725.43				
Afghan Fundraiser	\$210.00	\$245.00	\$0.00	\$245.00
BBQ Dinner/Silent Auction	\$10.00	\$18,932.02	\$8,400.00	\$10,532.02
Brick Sales		\$420.00	\$150.00	\$270.00
CRUD Day		\$1,400.00	\$1,400.00	\$0.00
Donations/Outside Income	\$596.51	\$1,835.52	\$0.00	\$1,835.52
Grocery Care Cards	\$37.69	\$72.32	\$50.00	\$22.32
Membership Dues		\$1,560.00	\$1,500.00	\$60.00
Member Merchandise		\$38.05	\$0.00	\$38.05
Recycle Program (Cans & Cartridges)		\$237.00	\$200.00	\$37.00
Recycle Program (Electronics)		\$46.77	\$200.00	-\$153.23
Restaurant Fund Raisers		\$22.00	\$200.00	-\$178.00
Fundraisers	\$26.00	\$217.00	\$1,000.00	-\$783.00
Warrant Roundup		\$843.13	\$1,000.00	-\$156.87
Funds used to cover Major Projects		\$0.00	\$10,629.79	-\$10,629.79
Total Income	\$880.20	\$25,868.81	\$24,729.79	\$1,139.02
Total	\$45,594.24	\$45,594.24		
EXPENSES	November	YTD Expenses	Annual Budget	Over/Under Budget
9-1-1 Day		\$221.20	\$250.00	-\$28.80
Audit - Treasurer's Records		\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
BBQ Silent Auction	\$860.43	\$5,169.64	\$4,500.00	\$669.64
Bricks		\$186.00	\$250.00	-\$64.00
Checking Account Expenses		\$16.00	\$25.00	-\$9.00
CPANNT Dues		\$25.00	\$25.00	\$0.00
Expenses Not Categorized		\$20.00	\$25.00	-\$5.00
Honorarium Awards and Gifts		\$50.00	\$100.00	-\$50.00
Member Merchandise Items		\$144.00	\$300.00	-\$156.00
Memorials and Gifts		\$200.00	\$300.00	-\$100.00
Fundraisers	\$501.85	\$531.49	\$1,000.00	-\$468.51
Office Supplies		\$48.36	\$300.00	-\$251.64
PALS Summer Camp		\$0.00	\$1,000.00	-\$1,000.00
Police Appreciation Week		\$388.12	\$400.00	-\$11.88
Police Chief Wish Projects		\$1,710.00	\$8,000.00	-\$6,290.00
Police Honor Guard		\$5,996.80	\$6,000.00	-\$3.20
Police Officer Christmas Meals		\$0.00	\$200.00	-\$200.00
Postage/Envelopes for Newsletters	\$90.00	\$208.98	\$200.00	\$8.98
President Awards		\$113.34	\$150.00	-\$36.66
Social Events		\$0.00	\$300.00	-\$300.00
Allen Samuels Dodge Appreciation Lunch		\$0.00	\$400.00	-\$400.00
Water by the Gallon		\$448.00	\$650.00	-\$202.00
Web Site/Domain Name		\$204.79	\$204.79	\$0.00
Total Expenses	\$1,452.28	\$15,681.72	\$24,579.79	-\$8,898.07
Funds Available in Checking		\$29,912.52		
SAVINGS ACCOUNT				
Major Projects/Future Projects		\$10,061.45		
Interest from Savings Account	\$0.33	\$3.69		
Funds Available in Savings		\$10,065.14		
Total ECPAAA Funds		\$39,977.66		





Euless Parade of Lights



Front Row: Faye Stinneford, Sandi Jones, Cynthia Schmidt, Barney Snitz

Back Row: Jerrie Keller, David Brown, Loren Johnson, Pete Jones

Dec 1st





**Santa in the Sky Tower watching
over the Target Parking Lot
November 25th**



December Menu

Mexican Buffet
with
Beef, Chicken and
Cheese Enchiladas
Rice
Beans
Chips and Salsa

Please bring your favorite
Christmas dessert to share
with everyone.

If you would like to purchase a monogrammed paver to be placed in the Police Department's front courtyard, please fill out the form at the end of this newsletter and either bring it and your payment to the December 18th ECPAAA meeting and give them to Leah Benoit or mail the completed form and payment by December 28th. See form for address and payment information.

From the President — Loretta Doty

Alumni,

As our year together comes to an end I would like for you all to know how much fun I've had this year and how privileged I feel that you put your trust in me to be part of your leadership team. We had fun together, successful events, new experiences, gained new members, lost loved ones, and formed new friendships. We have great things to look forward to next year. We owe our NPO's, Tony Burnett, Chris White and James Gordon, a huge thank you for their support and guidance.



Doris Hammond sent a thank-you to CPA for helping her collect 2,580 stuffed animals for Autumn, the 12 year old patient in Cook Children's Hospital. Autumn's goal was 3,000 stuffed animals and she far exceeded that goal. The stuffed animals were shared with several hospitals including Cook Children's and Toys for Tots. Autumn is still in the hospital in critical condition.

Don't forget to send Susan Vest your nomination for the alumni member of the year by December 31st. Email Susan at svest@simon.com or drop the form in the mail - 607 Aransas Dr., Euless, TX 76039. On our web site under the blue tab "Appreciation" and then "ECPAAA Awards" you may view past award recipients.

I hope you all had the opportunity to share in the joy of the Christmas parade. Unfortunately the mural was not displayed on the COP vehicle, but Unit #883 was festive with lights, Judy's wrapped presents on top and Kyla's stockings. Maurya we thank you for working so hard trying to make our COP vehicle an extra special entry and Kyla we thank you for a last minute decorating plan. I had the privilege of riding in the COP vehicle in the parade and received such a blessing viewing all the smiling faces and being the recipient of energetic waves and warm "Merry Christmas" wishes. We all are fortunate to be volunteers with the City of Euless.

Only 50 of our 91 members chose to vote for the 2013 executive board. I encourage you all to be active participants in our organization. We have many issues that require a vote by the membership. Whether it is a decision on an unexpected expense or deciding on the date for the annual BBQ or the next executive board, your vote is important. You are important and your opinion is valued. Please share in decision making and vote whenever the opportunity arises.

As a thank you to all alumni for the time you have spent this past year volunteering and representing ECPAAA, our association is providing a Mexican dinner for the December meeting. We hope to see you there.

Have a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year and I'll see you in January for the start of another wonderful, productive and fun year.

Loretta



Etch Your Name in Euless History

Join your friends, neighbors and business leaders in the courtyard at our **W. M. (Blackie) Sustaire Law Enforcement Center**. The Euless Citizens Police Academy Alumni Association, as part of an ongoing fundraiser, is selling monogrammed bricks to the public, which will be placed around the beautiful bronze policeman statue. The everlasting monogrammed brick of your family's name, children, your business or in loving memory will be forever remembered. We are a 501(c)(3) organization and your purchase is fully tax deductible. The prices of the bricks are as follows:

Individual Brick (one name only – 16 letters per line – 3 lines) \$35.00 each

Family Brick (more than one name – 16 letters per line – 3 lines) \$50.00 each

Corporate Brick (16 letters per line – 3 lines) \$125.00 each

The monogrammed brick measures either 4" x 8" or 1' x 1'.

Use lines 1 through 3 if purchasing a 4" x 8" brick.

Use lines 1 through 5 if purchasing a 1' x 1' brick.

To order a monogrammed brick, please fill out the following information: **(PLEASE PRINT)**

Line 1 _____

Line 2 _____

Line 3 _____

Line 4 _____ 1' x 1' Only

Line 5 _____ 1' x 1' Only

Name: _____

Total Enclosed:

Address: _____

\$ _____

Make Check Payable to: ECPAAA

Phone Number: _____

Please mail this form along with your payment to:

ECPAAA
Attention: Brick Fund Raiser
1102 W. Euless Boulevard
Euless, TX 76040

You will receive a confirmation letter along with a tax-deductible receipt upon receipt of your order form.