



2019 Officers

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CPAANT Liaison: Gene Shawl



HURRY UP SPRING !!! ☺

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 **Susannawhitten45@gmail.com**
 Submissions are due 1st week of every month.

Link to ECPAAA Web Page
<http://www.ecpaaa.org>

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ECPAAA MEMBERSHIP MEETING— TUESDAY, JANUARY 16, 2019

SPEAKER—CHIEF MIKE BROWN

Our fearless and much loved leader, Chief Mike Brown will be our speaker for our January Membership Meeting. He will be swearing in the new ECPAAA Executive Board members. Also, he will be giving us some very important Euleless Police Department updates, what's new and what's coming. So don't miss out on this important meeting.

FUN TIMES DURING OUR DECEMBER 19th ECPAAA MEMBERSHIP MEETING

A great time was had by all during the December ECPAAA membership meeting & party. After the short meeting there was food, games and fellowship. A big thanks to all who came, those who participated and for all the goodies you brought to share.



There was a box that had been wrapped 12 times. They passed the box around to everyone in the circle and when the music stopped, the person holding the box unwrapped one layer of paper. The person who unwrapped the layer that revealed the box...got to keep the gift. Winner, Anniece McKanna pic-



Anniece & Peggy Vandiver



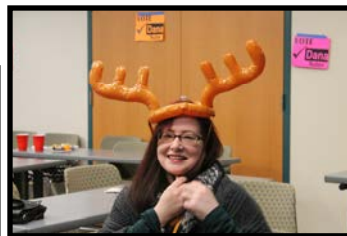
Vince Trevino & Pam Shawl



Julie Watkins, Faye Stinneford & Betty Priddy



Gene & Pam Shawl



Cynthia Schmidt



Judy Rick

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



Happy New Year!!!!!! I hope 2019 finds you and your family healthy and ready to face the coming year! I know this holiday season was a good one for me and my family and for the entire Euless Police Department family. I would like to start by thanking each of you who took time away from your family and friends to help us serve the community. The extra minutes spent in the Sky Tower and the COP car was greatly appreciated. Thanks to each of you who took the time to stop by the PD and wish us a Merry Christmas, Happy New Year's or just spend a few minutes visiting and helping to lift the spirits of those who were working through the holidays. Each moment you spent was greatly appreciated and I hope you felt appreciated while you were here and are inspired to spend a little more time with us.

Now that we are embarking on a new year, I look forward to the swearing in of the new ECPAAA Officers and the great things that will come from this new slate of officers. Every time we swear in new officers it brings about change. It's said that nobody likes change, but in the end, it's the only thing that is truly constant in our lives. So, I encourage each of you to embrace the changes that come, don't be afraid to put your ideas and thoughts into the mix. But realize that not everything you want to do will be accomplished, not every thought you have will be embraced by others and that none of that rejection will be personal. I do not get everything I want, not everyone embraces my every thought or suggestion, but I learn to listen and work with others for the success of this department and the community. The fun for me is in the exchange of ideas, the give and take of how what I want to happen is really polished and made greater by the thoughts and suggestions of others. Don't be afraid to make your suggestions, feel free to voice your thoughts but know that you won't get everything you ask for and what you thought was such a great idea sometimes falls under its own weight when it is exposed to the critical thoughts of others. But this is not a reason to give up, get mad or walk away discouraged. When my great ideas are left in a smoldering heap of emotions and what I thought were my best ideas are abandoned because they just don't make any sense, that's when I refine my thought process, I look with a bigger vision and I listen. When those things happen to me, that's when I know I am growing and getting better. The only way I lose, when that happens to me, is if I walk away defeated. If I walk away mad or hurt, then I have surrendered and all is truly lost at that point. So I never give up!

What I love the most about this organization is that it is full of great people who want to do great things for their community through their service to this department. I think we make a great team. I am encouraged and excited at the challenges that we know we are going to face and I am fearless about the challenges we have no clue are coming. I believe this community is full of dedicated servants. Together there is nothing that we cannot accomplish or any challenge that we cannot overcome.

I am looking forward to the coming year and to all the great things we are going to get to do together!

I hope to see you all as you come through the building or out on patrol or however you decide to serve in the coming year. I know each of you will do your best to find a place to serve and a way to get involved in this department and the community. I know that Rocky and the boys are getting ready for the next Citizens Police Academy class and I encourage you to help them fill that class with people you know who will get involved and have the same desire to serve as you.

Thanks for all you do!!

Your Servant, Mike

Jewelry Fundraiser

Retired Police Officer Pam Byers has created various jewelry items for ECPAAA to sell (police, fire and dispatcher themes). Pam is extremely talented and loves making personalized jewelry. Anniece McKanna will bring items to every meetings. Exact change is appreciated. Proceeds help our Euless Police Department.

Leather Coin Purses - \$3

Magnets - \$3

Pierced Earrings - \$5

Key Chains - \$7

Necklaces - \$12

Lapel Pins - \$3

Ribbon Pins - \$5

Rings - \$5

Dog tags - \$10

Metal Necklaces - \$15

Bracelet (leather and silver) - \$10 (both men and women's)

Eules Police Department Liaison Sergeant Rocky Fimbres



Hello ECPAAA family,

First, I want to wish everyone a Happy New Year. I hope everyone enjoyed the holidays with their families. The Community Services Division is very excited about the New Year and the various events and activities in the future.

I want to congratulate all the newest elected officers to the ECPAAA. President Gene Shawl; 1st Vice President Faye Stinneford; 2nd Vice President Jerri Balkon; Secretary Rose Marie Stevens; and Treasurer Dana Nuber. I know everyone will do a great job and I am excited to be around great hard working people. Special thanks to Julie Watkins and the former officers that help make this program very successful. Every year I have been continuously amazed in the care and effort every volunteer gives to our Police Department. Please know that Chief Brown and the entire Police Department really appreciates the dedication.

The Community Services Division will begin hosting "Coffee with a Cop" on Tuesday January 8, 2019 at Chick-fil-A (3003 Hwy 121, Eules, TX) from 0930-1030 hours. We really appreciate everyone that has attended and we really enjoy the company.

In addition, January 24, 2019 will be our Town Hall Meeting at Eules City Hall (203 N. Ector Dr, Eules, TX 76039). The meeting starts at 7pm and this is a great opportunity to meet the Council Members, City Manager, and City Mayor. The meeting will address any upcoming/current developments and the council will answer questions or concerns from the citizens. I look forward in seeing you at the meeting.

We are currently taking applications for the upcoming 2019 Citizen's Police Academy that begins February 21, 2019. Please contact Senior Officer Chris White (817)685-1536 or email: cwhite@eulesstx.gov with any question about the program. Thank you for all you do in making this city *FABEULESS!*

Lastly, I want to take a moment to remember retired Eules police officer Ralph Suarez who passed away from his battle with cancer on January 3, 2019. Ralph was a dear friend, hardworking, and never complained about his medical problems. Ralph was hired in 2000 where he worked in the Patrol Division and was then assigned to the Traffic Division until his retirement in 2015. Ralph was always the life of the party, and was well liked and respected by his brothers and sisters at the Eules Police Department. Ralph will also be remembered as a courageous, strong, and selfless person with a true servant's heart. I will miss you my friend....

Respectfully,

Rocky

DON'T FORGET ABOUT YOUR 2019 ECPAAA DUES

You can mail in your dues to ECPAAA, 1102 W. Eules Boulevard, 76040 or bring them to the next meeting. You can also e-mail or call Dana Nuber with any question: dnuber@uta.edu, 682-438-6776.

November 20, 2018 Amended Executive and General Meeting Minutes

These were amended and Jerri Balkon sent them out via e-mail on January 5th. Because of limited space in the newsletter they are not included in this issue. They are available for anyone that requests them. Contact her at 817-323-0718 and she will get you a copy.

From the President — Julie Watkins

I'd like to wish all our members a very Happy 2019 and I hope your holidays were filled with fun, family and great memories.

It seems like a blur from Thanksgiving to New Year's Day! Time is just passing way too fast. Speaking of time passing quickly, I can't believe 2018 is in the rearview mirror. We have, individually and as an Association, accomplished a great deal and have been a big asset to the Eules Police Department. I personally would like to thank each one of you for the time and energy you have given to make those things happen.



I also want to thank all of you for your thoughts and kind words of encouragement in the past two years as I have held the office of President. I have learned so much and have enjoyed being more involved with the Department and members. I will still be active, but will enjoy sitting in the meeting in the back row for a while. I will always be available to help Gene and the Board with any problems or questions. BUT in the meantime....

We are in need of a few volunteers that might be available during the day to help with the vehicle maintenance area. The guys that are currently helping in that area work almost every day but we would welcome volunteers that may just be able to help out a couple days a week also. For more details about the duties of this opportunity please give Rocky a call at (817-685-1685) or email at rfimbres@eulesstx.gov.

I would like to thank all the guys and gals that helped on Saturday with the food, setup and cleanup for the CPAANT meeting that we hosted. That meeting was well attended by several cities. Chief Brown did the swearing in of their new officers. The presentation was given by Mike Nafziger from our Vehicle Task Force. Everyone enjoyed his presentation and there were a lot of great questions. Thanks Officer Nafziger!

I just spoke to Rocky. He said "Coffee with a Cop" this morning was great and very well attended!! Great way to show our support! Our numbers are growing with each session!! Way to go – get the word out!!

Also, don't forget that your 2019 dues are due. I think this year we will be setting the deadline for dues to be paid by April 1. Please don't risk your membership being dropped. You are tooooooo important to us!!

The voting was done at the December meeting for the Volunteer of the Year. The results will be announced at the Police Banquet on February 15, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. at Texas Star. Pencil this date on your calendar and RSVP when you receive your invitation.

Just another couple of reminders (because I still can). ☺ Don't forget to collect the aluminum cans and bring a bag to each meeting. They really do add up to a few bucks in the piggy bank.

Also, don't forget to do your Amazon shopping thru smiles.amazon.com and choose the ECPAAA as your charity to receive the donations. I think with as much as I personally used it at Christmas, I think I funded Rocky's salary for next year. The recycle guys asked us to please collapse the boxes!! That's bad because I ordered so much !!

I don't know if you are all aware but our very own, Corporal James Gordon, was awarded the 2018 EMPLOYEE OF THE YEAR at the City Christmas luncheon. Congratulations James and we are all sooooo proud of you. It is so well deserved!!!

Please keep all our first responders in your thoughts and prayers as they continue to give their hearts and souls to the citizens of Eules. I urge you to keep several of our members in your thoughts and prayers too. We have a good number that are going through some very rough times right now and need those extra prayers.

THE END!

Julie

CPAANT Liaison — Gene Shawl - January 5, 2019

The January 5th CPAANT meeting was hosted by the ECPAAA. I was not able to attend so Julie Watkins represented our organization. Approximately 28 people attended representing 13 cities. We had several volunteers from our organization that welcomed the members. I want to thank all the volunteers that got up early on a Saturday morning to host and provide a great breakfast.

The guest speaker was Michael Nafziger with the Tarrant Regional Auto Crime Task Force and Euless Police Department. Michael gave a great presentation on the auto crime going on in the Tarrant County area.



John Engles, President of CPAANT, conducted the general business meeting including the minutes from last meeting, treasurer's report and board reports. Chief Mike Brown was in attendance to swear in the new board members. The new members of the Board this year are: **Karen Sasso - Vice president, Amber Munzo - Treasurer, Horace Blake – Director.** A short update on events was given by all the City Representatives present.

The next CPAANT meeting will be hosted by the White Settlement CPAAA on February 2nd. For more information on CPAANT, visit their website at www.cpaant.org.

December 19, 2018 Executive Meeting

Attendees; Jerri Balkon, JR Goad, Dana Nuber, Tom Salmi, and Julie Watkins.

Meeting called to order at 6:17 p.m.

- ◆ It is going to be a very short business meeting. We will open with prayers and pledges.
- ◆ A thank you card for Susanna Whitten and a get well card for Paul Haberer will be passed around for everyone to sign.
- ◆ Julie wants to pass around a list for people to sign-up to be called when there is an urgent need, such as manning the phones when there is a problem with the system and other such tasks.
- ◆ We will be voting for volunteer of the year tonight. James Gordon will be passing, picking up, counting and keeping the ballots. The results will be announced at the Police Banquet.
- ◆ A 3-person audit committee needs to be established for the audit that needs to happen in January/February.
- ◆ In January the officers will need to meet to get the bank information card changed. Rosemarie Stevens has to be added first and then she can approve the rest of the officers.
- ◆ The January minutes will need to reflect the names of each officer and the office they will be holding so the document can be used at the bank meeting.
- ◆ The November minutes will be changed that mentions that Faye Stinneford made a motion to add the courts to the water budget. A motion did not need to be made or passed according to the by-laws.
- ◆ Tom Salmi was added to the Executive Attendee list in the November minutes.
- ◆ Jerri Balkon will ask if anyone was left off the attendance list last month. It was not realized until the end of the meeting that no one was taking attendance. A sign-in sheet was quickly done so people could sign-in and a recall of those people that had already left. For the future Jerri Balkon has produced a sheet that can be used for taking attendance.
- ◆ Jerri Balkon will explain all of the changes that are being made in the minutes and why.
- ◆ Julie Watkins will announce that James Gordon received the Employee of the Year Award.
- ◆ Julie Watkins made the motion to end the meeting and Dana Nuber seconded it.

Meeting ended at 6:54 p.m.

December 19, 2018 General Business Meeting

Attendees: Kathy Ames, Jerri Balkon, Melody Balkon, Lou Baum, Brenda Brown, Rusty Brown, Eric Brunstad, Shawna De Puente, John Deithloff, Bill Dufinetz, Mia Estella, Cathy Galloway, Kay Goad, Jerry Goad, Loren Johnson, Pete Jones, Jerri Keller, Anniece McKanna, Nan Moulton, Dana Nuber, Betty Overstreet, Betty Priddy, Judy Rick, Thomas Salmi, Cynthia Schmidt, Gene Shawl, Pam Shawl, Barney Snitz, Faye Stinneford, Timothy Stinneford, Vince Trevino, Peggy Vandiver, Susan Vest, Julie Watkins, Diana Williams, Kristi Wynne, and Harry Zimmer.

Meeting Called to order at 6:59 p.m.

- ◆ JR Goad led prayers and pledges
- ◆ Jerri Balkon announced the changes that need to be made in the minutes from November.
- ◆ Jerri Balkon announced a thank you card for Susanna Whitten and a get-well card for Paul Haberer was going around to sign.
- ◆ Julie Watkins announced that voting for Volunteer of the Year would take place. The candidates are: Dana Nuber, Faye Stinneford, Leah Benoit, Anniece McKanna, Roy Deering, Susanna Whitten, and Julie Watkins. James Gordon will pass out, collect and count the ballots. He will keep them until the results are announced at the Police Banquet on February 15th at the Texas Star.
- ◆ Julie Watkins announced that our James Gordon received the Employee of the Year Award.
- ◆ Dana Nuber announced that an audit committee made up of three volunteers needs to be created. Kristi Wynne, Shawna De Puente and Kathy Ames volunteered. Dana Nuber will contact them to set-up the meeting.
- ◆ Julie Watkins read Kay and JR's Christmas Letter to all.

New Business

- ◆ Judy Rick gave 30 new dish towels to be used at the BBQ next year. Julie Watkins will do the embroidery work on the new dish towels.
- ◆ Julie announced that people are needed for last minute/immediate jobs. A list is being passed around. The Nikel system could be used and one message sent out for everyone on the list. Pete Jones offered to be in charge of the list.
- ◆ Gene Shawl is passing around a sign-up sheet for the CPAANT meeting for 1/5/2019. More breakfast food is needed.
- ◆ Faye Stinneford made the motion to end the meeting. Betty Priddy seconded the motion.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:18 p.m. Let's Eat!

December Volunteer Hours Comparison by Lou Baum

Month of December

2017 — 758 Hours
2018 — 320 Hours
(-57%)



Year to Date

2017 — 6864 Hours
2018 — 6450 Hours
(-6%)

For all who found a few minutes and several hours over the year to serve our servants, we thank you. A new year and new opportunities will be before us in 2019. Stay safe, stay well and take care of each other.

Personal Regards Lou

ECPAAA December 2018 Treasurer's Report

INCOME	Carry Over	December	YTD Income	Annual Budget	Over/Under Budget
12/31/17 Balance in Checking	\$25,671.41				
Back the Blue Fundraiser			\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
BBQ Dinner/Silent Auction			\$21,487.63	\$10,000.00	\$11,487.63
Brick Sales - Officer of the Year Fundraiser			\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Brick Sales			\$0.00	\$300.00	-\$300.00
CRUD Day		\$544.23	\$1,089.71	\$1,100.00	-\$10.29
Donations/Outside Income		\$730.00	\$1,991.55	\$500.00	\$1,491.55
Fund raisers		\$50.00	\$118.75	\$150.00	-\$31.25
Grocery Care Cards		\$38.60	\$118.22	\$50.00	\$68.22
Membership Dues			\$2,200.00	\$1,500.00	\$700.00
Member Merchandise			\$1,222.00	\$350.00	\$872.00
Recycle (Cans, Cartridges & Electronics)			\$31.00	\$50.00	-\$19.00
Warrant Roundup			\$0.00	\$600.00	-\$600.00
Funds Used to Cover Major Projects			\$0.00	\$14,340.00	-\$14,340.00
Total Income		\$1,362.83	\$28,258.86	\$28,940.00	-\$681.14
Total	\$25,671.41	\$53,930.27	\$53,930.27		
EXPENSES	Carry Over	December	YTD Expenses	Annual Budget	Over/Under Budget
9-1-1 Day			\$265.95	\$400.00	-\$134.05
Audit - Treasurer's Records			\$250.00	\$500.00	-\$250.00
Back the Blue Fundraiser			\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
BBQ Silent Auction			\$8,862.91	\$8,000.00	\$862.91
Bricks			\$0.00	\$800.00	-\$800.00
Checking Account Expenses			\$56.00	\$30.00	\$26.00
CPAANT Dues			\$25.00	\$25.00	\$0.00
Fundraisers			\$0.00	\$50.00	-\$50.00
Expenses Not Categorized		\$168.47	\$168.47	\$500.00	-\$331.53
Honorarium Awards and Gifts			\$0.00	\$50.00	-\$50.00
Member Merchandise Items			\$540.18	\$200.00	\$340.18
Memorials and Gifts		\$60.72	\$191.89	\$500.00	-\$308.11
Office Supplies			\$216.84	\$500.00	-\$283.16
PALS Summer Camp			\$0.00	\$1,000.00	-\$1,000.00
Police Appreciation Week			\$1,483.45	\$1,500.00	-\$16.55
Police Chief Wish Projects			\$7,096.30	\$7,500.00	-\$403.70
Police Honor Guard			\$5,976.64	\$5,000.00	\$976.64
Police Officer Christmas Meals			\$232.45	\$450.00	-\$217.55
President Awards			\$240.29	\$300.00	-\$59.71
Social Events			\$302.51	\$500.00	-\$197.49
TCPAAA Convention			\$125.00	\$135.00	-\$10.00
Water by the Gallon		\$138.00	\$1,153.00	\$1,000.00	\$153.00
Total Expenses		\$367.19	\$27,186.88	\$28,940.00	-\$1,753.12
Money Transferred to Savings			\$0.00		
Money Transferred from Savings			\$0.00		
Funds Available in Checking			\$26,743.39		
SAVINGS ACCOUNT					
Major Projects/Future Projects	\$11,843.99		\$11,843.99		
Interest from Savings Account		\$0.10	\$1.19		
Savings Deposit			\$0.00		
Savings Withdrawal			\$0.00		
Funds Available in Savings			\$11,845.18		
Total ECPAAA Funds			\$38,588.57		

January & February Upcoming Events

Jan 12 — Christmas Tree Recycling Event, 10 am—1 pm,
Aquatic Parking Lot, 300 W. Midway Drive

Jan 22 — City Council Meeting, 7 pm, Eules City Hall, 201
N. Ector Drive

Jan 24 — Town Hall Meeting, Eules City Hall, 203 N.
Ector, 7 p.m.

Jan 25 — Deadline for City of Eules Volunteer of the Year
nominations

Jan 26 — Free Fitness Day, 8 am — 6 pm, Eules Family
Life Center, 300 W. Midway Drive

Feb 7 — Citizens Fire Academy starts

Feb 9 — Daddy/Daughter Valentine's Dance, 7 pm—8:30
pm, Eules Family Life Senior Center, 300 W. Midway Dr

Feb 12 — City Council Meeting, 7 pm, Eules City Hall, 201
N. Ector Drive

Feb 13 — Amateur Radio Eules, 7pm, Eules Police De-
partment, 1102 W. Eules Blvd

Feb 14 — Valentine's Day Dinner, Raven's Grill, 1400
Texas Star Parkway

Feb 21 — Eules Citizens Police Academy Classes begin at
the Eules Police Department. Please contact Senior
Officer Chris White (817)685-1536 or email:
cwhite@eulesstx.gov with any question.

Feb 26 — City Council Meeting, 7 pm, Eules City Hall, 201
N. Ector Drive

December 2018 Volunteer Hours

CID Clerical — 8 Hours

Citizens On Patrol — 74.25 Hours

COP Car — 62.25 Hours

Sky Tower — 12 Hours

Number of Handicap Citations Issued — 10

Number of Handicap Warnings Issued — 0

Crime Victims Assistance Program — 0 Hours

Eules Radio Club — 34 Hours

Jail — 0 Hours

Meetings — 50 Hours

Includes the following:

CPAANT Meeting — 8 Hours

ECPAAA Board & General Meeting — 42 Hours

Miscellaneous — 86.25 Hours

Training — 29.50 Hours includes:

CERT Training — 29.50

Speed Trailer — 0 Hours

Vehicle Maintenance — 38 Hours

Total — 320 Hours

November National Value of Volunteer Time \$7,900.80

November Texas Value of Volunteer Time \$8,048.00

2018 YTD National Value of Volunteer Time \$159,247.54

2018 YTD Texas Value of Volunteer Time \$162,324.48

37 Alumni Members Present at December Meeting

5 Alumni Members Present at December Executive Board Mtg.

JANUARY ECPAAA BIRTHDAYS

Don Martin

1/2

Glenda Hartsell-Shelton

1/12

Diana Williams

1/13

Jeremy Thompkins

1/22

Jerri Balkon

1/23

Valerie Hinde

1/24

Nadine Barnes

1/30

LuAnn Portugal

1/31