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# Home Security

This month our ECPAAA meeting will focus on home security- a topic that deserves an important focus especially in the summertime. Criminals know that many people are out on vacation or working in their backyards in the summer and take this opportunity to commit crimes.

Our speaker this month will be Ron Dennis, Residential Sales Manager of ADT Security Services. He has been employed with ADT for 5 years, working as Residential Sales Manager for Fort Worth and the Metroplex and Dealer Program General Manager for the West Texas Area but a customer since 1979.

Ron served for 6 years in the Marine Air Wing and (Continued on page 5)

## Notice to Vote On Bylaw Changes

This is a reminder that at the July meeting we will be voting on the changes to the bylaws. We would like to encourage all members to come and vote.

C.O.P.S.

On a very hot and muggy day, the Citizens on Patrol car made its debut appearance at the Bedford Fourth of July parade. The car was in a place of honor directly behind the Bedford Police Department Community Services vehicles. Driving was C.O.P.S. coordinator, Don Martin. Assistant drivers (aka riders) were Al Simmenroth, Kathy Haecker and Linda Martin. The car was decorated (over the objections of the male participants) with American Flags and red, white and blue accents. Kathy's arm is probably still sore from throwing candy to all the children along the parade route. (Her side was the shady side of the street!! Guess where all the people were lined up?)

"The Euless Citizens on Patrol vehicle is used as a crime prevention tool of the Euless Police Department. This allows citizens volunteers to patrol the city as additional eyes for the police. They are able to report

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We have sold over \$21,840 in bricks!!

National Night Out August 7, 2001

We have 72 paid members For 2001

## **Leah's Perspective**



Greetings everyone. I hope all of you had a safe 4<sup>th</sup> of July. I want to give you an update on the Monogrammed Brick Fund Raiser. At the writing of this article, we are up to \$22,815. We have turned in the list for the first batch of bricks to be monogrammed. Don't worry, if you have not purchased your brick yet, we will be turning another list in at

the end of the year. Several of the members will be working together and going around to the business owners in Euless to see if they would like to help out the Alumni by purchasing bricks. We will also try and work with some of the apartment complexes throughout Euless to reach those citizens that do not receive water bills. We have not tapped all of our resources yet and will not stop until we do.

I spoke with Ron Williamson regarding a tour of the new Police and Courts Facility in August. Ron called Bob Freeman and it was decided that a special tour will be given to the Alumni sometime in September when the building is completed, but before everyone moves in. The tour may not take place on our meeting night, but we will let you know the date. Also, we may be called upon to help with the Grand Opening. Ron will keep us informed on that topic.

Starting in July, all ECPAAA merchandise (shirts, caps, visors, pins, decals) will be available at every meeting. I apologize for not having the merchandise available at previous meetings. Here's a price list of the merchandise:

Shirts - \$17 Visors - \$7 Lapel Pins - \$3 Hats - \$8 Decals - \$1

We also have a few of the "old" shirts and hats left and will be selling the shirts for \$5 and hats for \$2.

We will be having an Ice Cream Social at the August meeting. We have no guest speaker that month and thought we would just socialize from 7:00 to 7:30 and then start the meeting. NO NEED TO BRING ANYTHING!

Don't forget, we will be voting on the By-Laws at the July meeting. That's all for this month. See you at the meeting.



## Lt. Steve kockos



This is my very first opportunity to address the alumni members in this newsletter. I consider it a real privilege and will try my best to be informative and witty. The weather has been mild thus far, but as we approach the dog days of summer, the forecast will surely be dry and hot. Which reminds me of a story about one of my neighbors. He put two

windmills up last year to help keep his stock tanks full. I noticed him tearing down one of the windmills last week. I thought that a bit strange and asked him why he was taking one of the windmills down. He said there was barely enough wind to turn one windmill. I sure miss my old Euless neighbors. Speaking of neighbors and neighborhoods, the COP volunteers hit a new high this June, by working 61.3 hours. That brings the total COP volunteer hours to 300 hours since January. Thanks to every COP volunteer for giving time to the Department and your community.

There is so much news to report that I don't know where to begin. Kathy Haecker is to be commended for her volunteer Victim's Assistant Advocate work. She helped several families at the Twin Bridges apartments after torrential rains flooded about twenty units. She helped flood victims locate free

replacement furniture, distributed donated groceries and fed the hungry hot meals. **Thank you Kathy!** 

The Police Activities League Summer Camps were a great success. About 150 children participated in the three camps. They had a lot of fun learning, playing, and interacting.

Everyone please mark Tuesday night 7 p.m. to 10 p.m. August 7<sup>th</sup>, 2001 on your calendars. This is the 18<sup>th</sup> year for "National Night Out", so plan on spending this evening outdoors with your neighbors and members of the police and fire department. Contact one of the Neighborhood Officers (817.685.1536) to register if you are planning a National Night Out party. The police will launch the Childsafe Program on this night. The Childsafe Program encourages gun owners to safely secure firearms by providing firearms safety education and free gunlocks to homeowners. Remember to leave your porch light on this night to show your support of

## Happy Birthday!!

Mary Clayton John Coulson Linda Martin Richard Rick Helen Voss



## June 2001 Treasures Report

REVENUE	June	Year To Date	UNRESTRICTED	RESTRICTED	TOTAL
Bake Sale		\$0.00	·		\$0.00
Care Cards	\$44.25	\$295.54	\$300.00		\$295.54
Donations					
I.D. Cards				\$900.00	
Dues (2001 dues collected in 2000=\$500)	\$100.00	\$1,380.00	\$1,500.00		\$1,380.00
Event Security					
Arbor Daze		\$6,643.35	\$1,500.00	\$2,000.00	\$6,643.35
Bass Pro		\$450.00	\$1,200.00		\$450.00
Interest (Money Market Account.)	\$63.06	\$354.84	\$500.00		\$354.84
Miscellaneous Income	\$2,210.00	\$2,255.00		\$45.00	\$2,255.00
T-Shirts, Caps, Visors, Decals & Pins		\$33.00	\$300.00		\$33.00
Christmas Providers		\$0.00		\$550.00	\$0.00
TOTAL REVENUE	\$2,417.31	\$10,911.73	\$5,800.00	\$3,495.00	\$9,295.00
MAJOR PROJECTS					
Brick Revenue ('99 & 2000 = \$14,900.00)	\$5,290.00	\$6,940.00			\$21,840.00
EXPENSES			UNRESTRICTED	RESTRICTED	TOTAL
Arbor Daze		\$0.00	\$400.00		\$0.00
Awards & Gifts		\$83.40	\$300.00		\$83.40
Birthday Rememberances		\$0.00	\$80.00		\$0.00
BOARD					
Office supplies		\$0.00	\$400.00		\$0.00
Postage		\$34.00	\$100.00		\$34.00
CPAANT Dues		\$30.00	\$30.00		\$30.00
Digital Camera		\$0.00	\$500.00		\$0.00
Flowers (2000 budget)		\$55.00	\$350.00		\$55.00
Miscellaneous	\$26.00	\$26.00	\$500.00		\$26.00
Patrol		\$0.00	\$200.00		\$0.00
PUBLICATIONS					
Office supplies		\$16.48	\$100.00		\$16.48
Postage		\$102.00	\$350.00		\$102.00
Social Events		\$129.20	\$500.00		\$129.20
Postal Box		\$55.00	\$55.00		\$55.00
Prayer Plaques		\$0.00	\$200.00		\$0.00
Symposium & Meetings (		\$495.00			\$495.00
Telephone Directories		\$0.00	\$100.00		\$0.00
T-Shirts / Hats / Visors / Decals /		\$230.29	\$300.00		\$230.29
Christmas Providers		\$0.00		\$550.00	\$0.00
APROVED APPROPRIATIONS					
Fingerprint (CID) Kits		\$0.00	\$100.00		\$0.00
I. D. Cards		\$0.00		\$1,500.00	\$0.00
Furniture		\$0.00		\$1,500.00	\$0.00
Police Week		\$490.08		\$500.00	\$490.08
911 Day		\$0.00		\$200.00	
Water By The Gallon		\$0.00		\$200.00	\$0.00
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$26.00	\$1,746.45	\$6,965.00	\$4,450.00	\$168.40
MAJOR PROJECTS					
Brick Expense	\$34.00	\$881.83			
Sculpture		\$0.00			
NET INCOME (LOSS)	\$2,391.31	\$9,165.28			\$9,126.60
BANK BALANCE					
Beginning of Period	\$8,314.57				
End of Period	\$5,600.82				
TRANSFER ( to Money Market)	\$5,000.00				
TRANSFER (to Checking)					
MONEY MARKET ACCOUNT	\$31,948.88				

## **Euless Citizens Police Academy Alumni Association Minutes of the Tuesday, May 15, 2001 Meeting**

GUEST SPEAKER: Kathy Haecker introduced one of our Alumni members, Charley LaFontaine. He gave us insight into the treatment

of DWI,

Drugs and Battering.

Meeting called to order at 8:02 p.m.

PRESENT: President, Leah Benoit; Vice President, Chris Shanahan; Second Vice President, Pat Lane; Treasurer, Ed Benyon; Secretary, Susan Vest; Lou Baum, Bob Bouse, Dan Clark, John Erickson, Sharon Finne-

Ed Benyon; Secretary, Susan Vest; Lou Baum, Bob Bouse, Dan Clark, John Erickson, Sharon Finnegan, Kathy Haecker, Marilee Hoth, Blanche LaFontaine, Charley LaFontaine, Helen Lightbody, Barba-

ra Lucas, Don Martin, Judie Nolden, David Shanahan,

Al Simmenroth, Geri Sorg, Rose-Marie Stevens, Margaret Stowe, Kris Stull, Helen Wagner and our

guest, Lt. Mike Brown.

LIAISON: Sgt. Ron Williamson

MINUTES: A motion was made by Ed Benyon to accept the May minutes as stated in the Newsletter. Second by

Barbara Lucas. Passed.

TREASURER'S REPORT: A motion was made by Geri Sorg to accept the May 2001 Treasurer's Report. Second by Don Martin. Passed.

#### **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

- 1. Brick Update: Lou Baum encouraged us to continue selling bricks. We sold 492 bricks as of June 12, our first cutoff date. Lou is working with Pavestone on the 1 foot by 1 foot bricks to see if the price can come down from \$50 to produce. The 1'X1' will be purchased to recognize the special donors. Pavestone is also looking into different colors for the bricks. Pavestone will also try to come down on the labor price as the project progresses. After the first 500 bricks that the City gave us, the brick price will cost the Alumni Association \$10.41 plus labor cost. Lou said the bad news was we didn't meet our goal of \$25,000. However, the good news is the City Council passed unanimously pick up the balance of the statue. Dan Clark said that the Alumni Association should still pay out \$25,000 since we agreed to it, even though we haven't sold enough bricks. Kathy Haecker made a motion that the Alumni Association give all proceeds made on brick sales through July 15, 2001 to the City. The Association will deduct the cost of the bricks and labor from the proceeds. Second by Barbara Lucas. Passed.
- Lou Baum also mentioned that he has a plan on how we can tap into the business sector for brick sales, however, he will need members
  from the Association to help him with this since he now works with the City. He feels that another \$10,000 can be gained. Anyone interested, please call Lou.
- 3. Ed Benyon mentioned that we need to be really careful on how we spend our money, once the money for the statue is paid out. He said we cannot obligate ourselves if we don't have the money to spend. He mentioned that we need all of our members to pay their dues on time and help with the Fundraiser events. Al Simmenroth asked if needed to do additional fundraisers and Ed said at this time we did not. Leah Benoit mentioned that Lou Baum told her we have already met 92% of our 2001 budget. We have raised \$8,494 toward our annual budget of \$9,295.

#### Fund Raising Reports:

- Leah Benoit reminded everyone that we still have two fundraisers this year Bass Pro Shops and the Bake Sale
- 2. Rose-Marie Stevens reported that she is doing research for new fundraisers.

#### Membership Report:

1. Chris Shanahan reported that we have 73 paid members, including 8 of 11 members from Class #13.

#### Newsletter Report:

1. Chris Shanahan - No report.

#### **EXECUTIVE UPDATES:**

- 1. By-Laws: Leah Benoit asked if anyone had any comments, suggestions or changes to the By-Laws. No one commented. We will vote on the By-Laws changes at the July 2001 meeting.
- 2. Regional Update: Geri Sorg stated they were preparing for the Symposium. We will responsible for setting at the booth during the major breaks to sell our pins and decals. We will also be passing out the Alumni pens.
- 3. Kathy Haecker reported that Crime Victims has been very busy. The Executive Board approved Kathy to buy coloring books and supplies for the children that have to wait at the police station. Kathy also mentioned that the City has now put the City Council Agenda on the website. The city website is www.euless.org. Kathy gave a memo to the officers regarding their biographies for the newsletter. She has had four returned to her. The first Field Sobriety Testing went well. The second testing is scheduled for June 29. And lastly, Kathy reported that the US Olympic Committee would be in Euless on June 20 at The Parks at Texas Star to check out the area for the 2012 Olympics. Everyone was invited to come out and show their spirit.
- 4. COPS Update: Don Martin mentioned that he needed volunteers for July 6 and 29. He said that he would be driving the COPS car in the

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Bedford July 4<sup>th</sup> Parade. Anyone wanting to ride in the car was asked to get with Don after the meeting. Rose-Marie Stevens asked about the fuel codes for the COPS car. Sgt. Ron Williamson said he would send out a new letter to everyone with their code.

- 5. Leah Benoit asked Sgt. Williamson to remind the officers we selected to receive the trading cards to get us the information by July 31. Otherwise the cards will not be printed and the officer will not be eligible next year.
- 6. Liaison Update: Sgt. Williamson said that the Executive Board needs to coordinate budgeted items with the Chief. He said that sometimes items are not provided for a reason. Sgt. Williamson will also schedule a tour of the new Police Department for August. We will tour the PD first and then come back for ice cream and the meeting.
- 7. Leah Benoit handed out two different reports showing brick sale information.

#### **COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR:**

Kathy Haecker made a motion that the Alumni Association purchase three cases of water to keep at the Police Department for officers working on calls for extended periods of time. Second by Charley LaFontaine. Passed. Sgt. Williamson will inform the Sergeants and jailers of the location.

Kathy Haecker also mentioned that the Association needs to look at getting a Sam's/Costco card so we can get our purchases tax exempt. Geri Sorg checked into a Costco card and renew annually it will cost \$90.00. Chris Shanahan will check on a Sam's card.

A motion was made by Geri Sorg to adjourn the meeting at 9:14 p.m. Second by Chris Shanahan. Passed.

#### Barney (miller) snitz!!

I went out on my first COP ride last Friday. Since I have been an alumni member for over three years, I felt it was time. . Being a senior citizen, I would have to stay up pass 9 PM which would be no problem. However, I wondered if I could make it to midnight. My partner was Byron Benoit and the dispatcher was Leah Benoit. Byron and I were the rookies!

We got to the station at 7PM, and listened to the shift briefing. I immediately thought of the old TV show Hill Street Blues. I waited for the "Be careful out there!" like they did in the TV program, when the Sergeant ended the briefing, and sent the officers on patrol. We were asked to patrol the apartment complexes in North Euless. There was a break in at one of the units last week, and we were asked to patrol that area.

I drove the first half of the shift, and Byron handled the radio. Being a retired Air Traffic Controller, I shared with Byron the correct radio phraseology, when to use such things as: over, out, say again, and how do you read me, etc. He did great! We checked in after going through one of the complexes. Byron used correct phraseology. He transmitted his message to our dispatcher Leah, his wife, and signed off with "I love you." So much for phraseology.

I loved driving the COP Car! Being a retired senior citizen, I am in no hurry and hate people riding my bumper. In the COP

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had two tours in Vietnam. He has an Associates Degree from East Central State in Ada, OK and 25 years of experience in sales, service and management.

He is not coming to sell anyone anything but to give us ideas on how we can keep our homes and businesses safer. Our meeting will be at 7 p.m. on **July 17**<sup>th</sup> in the large conference room of Building A.

Hope to see you there!



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National Night Out.

Congratulations to David Priest, he was selected to be a Neighborhood Police Officers, replacing Gary Landers who promoted to Sergeant. We expect great things from Dave. He was selected as Officer of the Year –2000, and was selected for this assignment because of his ability to relate with people in general, especially children and seniors. He will be permanently assigned to a neighborhood upon graduation from the Dare Officer School in late August.

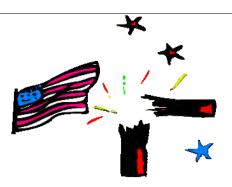
We are on schedule to move into the new police and courts building. The official move date is scheduled for the weekend of October 12<sup>th</sup>, 2001. Everyone here is excited and anxious about moving into the new building.

Thanks to all the alumni members for supporting this Department and all its employees.

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suspicious and criminal activity so uniformed officers may respond. Citizens on Patrol take no enforcement action. The Citizens on Patrol program started in Euless in 1997 and has become a vital part of the Police Department's crime prevention program." This description was written by Sgt. Ron Williamson for the parade emcee.

Our patrol program is gaining recognition throughout the area, as evidenced by this invitation to participate in the city of Bedford. If you are available and would like to take a turn at patrolling, please call *Don Martin at 817-283-7038*. We need volunteers for August!



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Car, I drove just the speed I wanted to, and all the other cars and trucks gave me a lot of room. Byron could not wait to drive. Also, at four way stop sign intersections, they always let me go first if there was a tie.

One thing we found out was that every gated community we visited, the gate was open and we drove right in. Also, the people we passed all looked guilty. Maybe, it was our appearance that threw them, a young man with a freshly shaved head and an old man who looked sleepy.

We ended the shift by refueling the car. We had no problem finding the pump station, but could not find where to insert the key, as instructed by the pump read out. No problem, we called the dispatcher!

I think we did so well, we will probably be on television.

Submitted by Barney Snitz, Class 2

#### **EPD BIOS**

**Cpl. David Priest** is our newest Neighborhood Police Officer! He was also selected as Officer of the Year for 2000. This 17 year veteran of the Euless Police Department was born in Fort Worth, and describes himself as "part Choctaw and Kiowa Indian, Welsh, German, and all Texan."

His hobbies are golf and his "small 80 acre farm that takes up most of his spare time". Cpl. Priest enjoys reading and his favorite books are The Hobbit and The Lord of the Rings trilogy by Tolken. Movies he has really enjoyed have been The Searchers, Outlaw Josey Wales, Braveheart, and Pork Chop Hill. He served 12 years in the Army and because of that traveled extensively in the Orient and Europe. When asked what his favorite part of his job is, he stated, "The smiles on the little children's faces when you wave at them." In his new position as NPO, he should be getting lots of job satisfaction! Congratulations, David!

**Corporal James Gordon** is one of our Neighborhood Police officers and he has been with the Euless Police Department since October,1996. He is originally from Key West, Florida. His older two brothers are physicians. His hobbies include backpacking, hiking, canoeing, scuba, and skydiving. His favorite book is Rogue Warrior by Cmdr. Richard Marcinko. He must be a John Wayne fan as his favorite movies are "Leathernecks", "The Green Berets" and "Big Jake". Cpl. Gordon describes his most interesting life experiences as skydiving over the Red River, scuba diving in the Pacific, and manning the "Conn" periscope on the U.S.S. Puffer, a fast attack nuclear submarine. His favorite part of police works spans the whole spectrum as he enjoys teaching children that they are responsible for their actions (which he does as a D.A.R.E. instructor in the schools) and also arresting a combative offender.

#### Fourth of July Parade 2001 Bedford, Texas

In the car was driving Don Martin, Al Simmenroth, Linda Martin, and Kathy Hacker.



EULESS CITIZENS POLICE
ACADEMY ALUMNI ASSOCIATION
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ALL OF THE ITEMS IN ITALICS
WERE ADDITIONS OR CHANGES
MADE TO THE ORIGINAL BY-LAWS

#### **ARTICLE I - PURPOSE**

#### **Principle Office**

1.01 The principle office of the Euless Citizens Police Academy Alumni Association, hereafter referred to as ECPAAA, shall be located in the City of Euless, County of Tarrant State of Texas. The Association may have such other offices, either within or without the State of Texas, as the Executive Board may determine or as the affairs of this Association may require.

#### **Purpose**

1.02 The purpose for which this non-profit Association was formed, is to bring together graduates of the Euless Citizens Police Academy, to improve relations between the police department and the civilian community in all phases of law enforcement activities, and to further the goals and objectives of the Euless Police Department.

#### **ARTICLE 2 - MEMBERS**

#### **Classes of Members Conduct**

2.01 This Association shall have two classes of members, Regular and Honorary. The designation of such classes and the qualifications of such member shall be as follows:

**Regular Members** - Regular Members shall be graduates of the Euless Citizens Police Academy who have applied for membership and paid their annual dues.

<u>Honorary Members</u> - Any person nominated by the Executive Board and approved by majority vote of the Regular Members present at a general meeting. Persons may be considered for Honorary Membership on the basis of outstanding community service or other special consideration by this Association.

#### **Conduct**

2.02 No member shall promote or represent themselves on behalf of this Association for personal, political, or financial gain. Inappropriate behavior toward officers and citizens will not be tolerated *and may result in termination of membership*.

#### **Eligibility**

2.03 Regular members shall be graduates of the Euless Citizen Police Academy, who live or work in the City of Euless at the time of application for membership, and in good standing without regard to age, creed, race, or sex.

#### **Voting Rights**

2.04 Each Regular Member shall be entitled to one vote on each matter submitted to a vote of the members. Member must be present to vote.

#### **Termination of Membership**

2.05 Membership may be terminated for just cause after a hearing before the Executive Board, and a majority vote by the Board. Just cause is defined as any violation of the ECPAAA By-laws.

#### Resignation

2.06 Any member may resign by filing a written resignation with the Secretary.

#### **Property**

2.07 Upon the of resignation of *any* member, all property belonging to ECPAAA or the Euless Police Department, including name badge, *shall be returned*.

#### Reinstatement

2.08 A former member who has resigned may apply for reinstatement by submitting a written request with the Secretary. The Executive Board, by majority vote, may reinstate such former.

#### **Transfer of Membership**

2.09 Membership in this Association is not transferable or assignable.

#### **Appeals**

2.10 Any member *who wishes* to appeal a decision of the Executive Board *may do so before* the general membership by submitting a *written* request to the Secretary. Such appeals shall be presented to the Regular Member at the next general meeting. *Appeals will be decided by a majority vote of the members present.* 

Any former member may appeal their revoked membership to the general membership by submitting a written request to the Secretary. *This request will be submitted at the next regularly scheduled meeting.* After discussion before the Regular Members, such matter shall be resolved by majority *vote* of Regular Members present.

#### **ARTICLE 3 - MEETINGS OF MEMBERS**

#### **General Meeting**

3.01 General meetings shall normally be held on the third Tuesday of each month at a time and place set by the President. All members shall be notified of any change in meeting time and location.

#### **Special Meeting**

3.02 Special Meetings of members may be called by the President or Acting President. Members shall be notified no less than 48 hours in advance of a special meeting.

#### Place of Meeting

3.03 General and special meetings shall be held at a place designated by the President.

#### **Quorum**

3.04 The presence of not less than 20 percent of the Regular Members in good standing shall constitute a quorum and shall be necessary to conduct the business of this Association when requiring a vote.

#### **Procedure**

3.05 This Association shall be governed by common accord. *All* disputes shall be handled in accordance with Robert's Rules of Order unless inconsistent with these By-Laws.

#### Resolutions

3.06 All motions to commit this Association on any matter shall be normally considered first by the Executive Board. Such motions offered at a general *meeting shall be referred* to the Executive Board for evaluation and action as deemed appropriate.

#### **ARTICLE 4 - EXECUTIVE BOARD**

#### **Purpose**

4.01 The Executive Board shall manage the affairs of the ECPAAA.

#### **Officers and Term**

4.02 The Executive Board shall be elected from the general membership of the Association. The term of office shall be for one (1) year. No officer may serve more than two (2) consecutive terms unless the office is uncontested in a general election, at which time the Executive Board may approve one additional term.

#### Quorum

4.03 A quorum shall consist of a *majority* of the Executive Board.

#### Past President

4.04 The immediate past president shall be an ex-officio member of the Executive Board and shall not have board voting privileges.

#### ARTICLE 5 - OFFICERS AND DUTIES

#### Officers

5.01 The officers of this Association shall be a President, one or more Vice Presidents, a Secretary, and a Treasurer. No two offices may be held *at the same time* by the same person.

#### Vacancies

5.02 If a vacancy in any position of the Executive Board occurs, the Executive Board will by majority vote appoint a Regular Member to fill the position for the un-expired portion of the term. Resignation of any individual from office will be submitted in writing to the Executive Board.

#### **President**

5.03 The President shall be the principle executive officer of the Association and shall in general supervise and control all the business and affairs of this Association. *They* shall preside at all meetings of the members and of the Executive Board. *They* shall sign with the Treasurer or first Vice President necessary documents. In general, shall perform all duties incident to the office of the President and such other duties as may be prescribed by the Executive Board. The President shall be empowered to vote on all matters of the Executive Board.

#### Vice President(s)

5.04 In the absence of the President or in the inability or refusal to act, the First Vice President shall perform the duties of the President, and when so acting shall have all the powers and shall be subject to all the restrictions upon the President. Any Vice President shall perform such duties as may be assigned to *them* by the President or the Executive Board.

#### **Secretary**

5.05 The Secretary shall keep the minutes of general meetings of the members and of the Executive Board; give all notices in accordance with the provisions of these bylaws or as required by law, keep a register of the postal address of each member; and, in general, perform all duties as may be assigned to them by the President or by the Executive Board. In the absence of the Secretary, the President shall assign a member to assume such duties.

#### **Treasurer**

5.06 The Treasurer shall have charge/custody of and be responsible for all funds and securities of this Association; receive and give receipts for monies due and payable to this Association from any source, and deposit all monies in the name of this Association in such depositories as shall be selected in accordance with the provisions of these bylaws, and in general perform all the duties enacted to the office of Treasurer and such other duties as may be assigned to them by the President or the Executive Board.

#### **Parliamentarian**

5.07 The Parliamentarian shall advise the President, other officers, committee members and members on matters of parliamentary procedures. The parliamentarian's role during a meeting is purely an advisory and consultative one. The Parliamentarian will be appointed by the President and has no voting rights except those afforded a Regular Member.

#### **Election of Officers**

5.08 The President shall appoint a nominating committee of three or more Regular Members. This committee shall prepare a recommended slate of officers from Regular Members willing to serve, and present the slate to the members at the general November meeting. Additional nominations may be made from the floor at the general November meeting.

A written ballot shall be mailed to all Regular Members of this Association *no* later than November 20 of the current year, for return by mail, postmarked no later than December 3. Votes shall be tabulated and elected officers and directors will be announced at the general December meeting of the year preceding their term.

#### **ARTICLE 6 - COMMITTEES**

#### **Committees**

6.01 The President may designate and appoint one or more committees and the members thereof. The President shall be an ex-officio (non-voting) member of each committee. Each committee Chairperson shall report to the Executive Board and attend the Executive Board meetings, or *report to a* designated person from the Executive Board. Each committee shall make no binding policy or agreements without approval of the Executive Board.

#### Terms of Committees

6.02 Each committee will continue from date of appointment for a term specified by the President.

#### **Chairman**

6.03 One member of each committee shall be appointed chairman by the President. The chairman shall govern all meetings of the committee.

#### Vacancies

6.04 Vacancies in the membership of any committee may be filled by appointment by the President.

#### Quorum

6.05 Unless otherwise provided in the appointment of a committee, a majority of the whole committee shall constitute a quorum and *any action decided* by a majority of the quorum shall be the *decision* of the committee.

#### Rules

6.06 Each committee may adopt rules for its own operation consistent with these bylaws.

#### ARTICLE 7 - CHECKS, DEPOSITS AND FUNDS

#### **Checks and Drafts**

7.01 All checks, drafts, or orders for payment of money, notes, or other evidences of indebtedness issued in the name of this Association shall be signed by two of the following officers: Treasurer and one other member of the Executive Board.

#### **Deposits**

7.02 All funds of this Association shall be deposited promptly to the credit of this Association in such banks, trust companies, or other depositories as the Executive Board may select.

#### **Gifts**

7.03 The Executive Board may accept, on behalf of this Association, any contribution or gift.

#### ARTICLE 8 - BOOKS AND RECORDS

#### **Books and Records**

8.01 This Association shall keep correct and complete books and records of accounts and shall also keep minutes of the general *meetings* and Executive Board meetings. A record giving names and addresses of all members entitled to vote shall be kept at the registered or principal office of this Association. All books and records of this Association may be inspected by the Regular Members upon written request to the President. Such request will be honored in a reasonable time determined by the President, not to exceed 15 business days.

#### **Annual Review**

8.02 A committee of three or more Regular Members and shall examine the Treasurer's books and records annually; the audit is to

be completed by January 31. No Executive Board member shall be on the committee.

#### **ARTICLE 9 - ANNUAL YEAR**

9.01 The annual year of this Association shall begin on the first day of January and end on the last day of December in each year.

#### **ARTICLE 10 - DUES**

#### **Annual Dues**

10.01 The Executive Board may determine, with approval of twothirds of a quorum of Regular Members present at a general meeting, the annual dues payable to this Association by Regular Members.

#### **Payment of Dues**

10.02 Regular Member dues are due and payable on the first day of January each year. Dues of any new member graduating mid-year shall be 50% of annual dues.

#### **Default and Termination of Membership**

10.03 When any member shall be in default in the payment of dues for a period of two months from the beginning of the annual year or such period for which such dues become payable, their membership may be considered for termination by the Executive Board.

#### **ARTICLE 11 - AMENDMENTS TO BYLAWS**

#### Amendments to By-Laws

11.01 These bylaws may be altered, amended or repealed. New bylaws may be adopted by a two-thirds majority of the Regular Members as presented by the Executive Board at any general meeting. At least two (2) weeks notice, in writing, shall be given to all Regular Members of an intention to alter, amend or repeal these bylaws.

#### **ARTICLE 12 - DISSOLUTION**

#### **Dissolution**

12.01 In the event this Association is dissolved without prior termination or disposition of funds, the remaining funds, after payment of any indebtedness, shall be given to a charitable organization as recommended by the Euless Police Department.

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**Next Meeting:** 

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## Reminders...

- ⇒ ECPAAA Meeting Tuesday, July 17, 2001 Building A Conference Room at 7:00 PM!
- ⇒ National Night Out August 7. Article pg.
- ⇒ ECPAAA's web page address http://www.ecpaaa.org Look for the changes to come to the Alumni Association's Web Page!!

## Important Information!!

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The Alumni Association is going to be doing a revision of the Alumni Directory. We need all of your information to be current. PLEASE call: Chris at 817-991-5412 if you have changed any of your information.

#### Newsletter Submissions

If anyone would like to include an article in the newsletter, there are a few easy ways to accomplish this.

- 1) you can e-mail it to news@ecpaaa.org
- 2) type it in MS Word, save it on a disk and/or print it and leave it in the ECPAAA box in Ron's office
- 3) hand write it and leave it in the box in Ron's office.

The deadline for the article is the 5th of the month!!