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## Weightlifting, Cheerleading, and Policing?

What do weightlifting, cheerleading, and policing have in common? They are all a part of the life of our speaker at the monthly ECPAAA meeting on March 20. Kimberly Althouse, our speaker, has been with the Euleess Police Department for eight years. She spent five years in patrol, two years in narcotics, and she is currently a detective in the Criminal Investigation Division. She is also a crisis negotiator with the tactical team.

A former flight attendant with American Airlines, Kimberly was turned on to law enforcement through her parents, who are still police officers.

She is married to an Irving Firefighter/Paramedic and they have two children, ten year old, Alley, and five year old, Corey.

When Kimberly is not working as a detective, she is a part time student working on finishing her Criminal Justice degree. Some hobbies that have interested Kimberly over the years have been cheerleading and weightlifting. She keeps her cheerleading up by coaching her daughter's cheerleading team and she has set records in the Police Olympics as a power lifter. She holds all three records in bench press, squat, and dead lift.

Although Kimberly has many titles and

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## Austin Convention Rules!

The ECPAAA will be holding a drawing at the March 20<sup>th</sup> meeting for anyone who is interested in attending the 2001 Texas Citizen's Police Academy & Alumni Convention being held in Austin this year. Please read the following bullets for details:

- ◆ When arriving at the March meeting, please sign in, as usual. There will also be paper to write your name on and a bowl to drop your name in to enter the drawing.
- ◆ The five lucky winners will be drawn during the guest speaker, so please remember to enter right when you arrive. An announcement will be made before the guest speaker to give everyone a chance to enter the drawing.
- ◆ The Alumni will be paying the \$75.00 registration fee and

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We have sold over  
\$15,000 in bricks!!

Happy St. Patrick's Day!

We have 47  
paid members  
For 2001

## Leah's Perspective



Greetings everyone. I want to thank everyone that volunteered to work at Bass Pro Shops. I was unable to attend the Police Awards Banquet due to a death in the family. I want to take this time to thank Pat Lane, Second Vice President, for attending in my place. Pat presented the Officer of the Year, David Priest, a certificate for a monogrammed brick the Alumni will be purchasing for David. Last year, the Alumni voted to purchase a monogrammed brick every year for the Officer of the Year and David was our first recipient. Congratulations David!

Pat also pulled the ten names of the Officers that will be receiving trading cards this year. The lucky

winner are: Jay Blount, Randy Burns, Robert Harper, Jermaine Montgomery, Brenda Moore, Susan Nickell, David Priest, Rafael Suarez, Scott Ulrick and Adrian Wormley.

As you may have seen already, the Alumni Association will be bringing five lucky Alumni Members to the 2001 Citizen's Police Academy & Alumni Convention in Austin. Please read the article for all of the details regarding how to enter. Good Luck!



Don't forget, Arbor Daze is just around the corner. Please mark your calendars to help out the weekend of April 27<sup>th</sup>, 28<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup>. We will need everyone's help this weekend. If you have friends, family or neighbors that would like to help, please get in touch with Don Martin or Lou Baum. And remember, we will be serving pizza for the April meeting! That's it for this month - see you at the meeting.



## Sgt. Williamson



This past week the City finished up the last of this year's Town Hall Meetings. I want to thank all of you who were able to attend one of them and lend your support not only to the Police Department but also to the City as a whole. As a result of the meetings we have been able to identify problems around the city that we may not have done otherwise. Again thanks to all who participated.

The Police Department also had its Awards Banquet this last month. The Alumni Association was represented during this event and as last year ya'll made it possible for 10 of our officers to receive trading cards to pass out to children. This is a small gesture on your part, but one that is very much appreciated by the officers. I will talk to Leah and see when the cards come in if we can invite those officers to one of our meetings so the Association can present them.

So it won't come as a big surprise to some of you Chief Carmack is in the process of doing some reorganizing of the Police Department. By the time this newsletter comes out some of it may already be in place. Joey Ziemian's retirement left a hole in our com-



mand structure. At this time he will not be replaced. Captain Mangum will continue to be over the Patrol Division and Captain Westmoreland will be over the other divisions (Records, Communications, Detention, & Criminal Investigation). He will have a Lieutenant (new position) under him to help in the task of supervising these sections. Under the new organization the Neighborhood Patrol Officers and School Resource officers will fall under the new lieutenant. This will not effect how we work with the Alumni Association. This association and all of you are important to the police department and we look forward to our continued friendship. If anything it will help get more of our staff involved with you and the Alumni Association. I should be able to talk a little more about this at our next meeting.

Now that I hope I have your interest up, I look forward to seeing each of you on the 20<sup>th</sup>. If there is anything I can do for you please let me know.

## Happy Birthday!!

### March Birthdays!

Karen Duncan  
Sharon Finnegan  
Kathy Grove  
Barbara Lucas  
Chris Shanahan  
Helen Wagner



## February 2001 Treasures Report

| REVENUE                               | January     | February    | Year To Date | UNRESTRICTED        | RESTRICTED        | TOTAL        |
|---------------------------------------|-------------|-------------|--------------|---------------------|-------------------|--------------|
| Bake Sale                             |             |             | \$0.00       | \$500.00            |                   | \$0.00       |
| Care Cards                            | \$36.27     |             | \$36.27      | \$300.00            |                   | \$36.27      |
| <b>Donations</b>                      |             |             |              |                     |                   |              |
| I.D. Cards                            |             |             |              |                     | \$900.00          |              |
| Dues                                  | \$360.00    |             | \$860.00     | \$1,500.00          |                   | \$860.00     |
| <b>Event Security</b>                 |             |             |              |                     |                   |              |
| Arbor Daze                            |             |             | \$0.00       | \$1,500.00          | \$2,000.00        | \$0.00       |
| Bass Pro                              |             |             | \$0.00       | \$1,200.00          |                   | \$0.00       |
| Interest (Money Market Account.)      | \$62.27     | \$52.98     | \$115.25     | \$500.00            |                   | \$115.25     |
| <b>Miscellaneous Income</b>           |             |             |              |                     |                   |              |
| T-Shirts, Caps, Visors, Decals & Pins |             |             | \$0.00       | \$300.00            |                   | \$0.00       |
| Christmas Providers                   |             |             | \$0.00       |                     | \$550.00          | \$0.00       |
| <b>TOTAL REVENUE</b>                  | \$458.54    | \$52.98     | \$511.52     | \$5,800.00          | \$3,450.00        | \$9,250.00   |
| <b>MAJOR PROJECTS</b>                 |             |             |              |                     |                   |              |
| Brick Revenue                         |             |             | \$0.00       |                     |                   | \$14,900.00  |
| <b>EXPENSES</b>                       |             |             |              | <b>UNRESTRICTED</b> | <b>RESTRICTED</b> | <b>TOTAL</b> |
| Arbor Daze                            |             |             | \$0.00       | \$400.00            |                   | \$0.00       |
| Awards & Gifts                        | \$83.40     |             | \$83.40      | \$300.00            |                   | \$83.40      |
| Birthday Remembrances (** 2000)       | **\$32.00   |             | \$0.00       | \$80.00             |                   | \$0.00       |
| <b>BOARD</b>                          |             |             |              |                     |                   |              |
| Office supplies                       |             |             | \$0.00       | \$400.00            |                   | \$0.00       |
| Postage                               |             |             | \$0.00       | \$100.00            |                   | \$0.00       |
| CPAANT Dues                           | \$30.00     |             | \$30.00      | \$30.00             |                   | \$30.00      |
| Digital Camera                        |             |             | \$0.00       | \$500.00            |                   | \$0.00       |
| Flowers (2000 budget)                 | **\$32.50   |             | \$0.00       | \$350.00            |                   | \$0.00       |
| Miscellaneous                         |             |             | \$0.00       | \$500.00            |                   | \$0.00       |
| Patrol                                | **\$34.07   |             | \$0.00       | \$200.00            |                   | \$0.00       |
| <b>PUBLICATIONS</b>                   |             |             |              |                     |                   |              |
| Office supplies                       |             |             | \$0.00       | \$100.00            |                   | \$0.00       |
| Postage                               |             | \$34.00     | \$34.00      | \$350.00            |                   | \$34.00      |
| Social Events                         |             |             | \$0.00       | \$500.00            |                   | \$0.00       |
| Postal Box                            | \$55.00     |             | \$55.00      | \$55.00             |                   | \$55.00      |
| Prayer Plaques                        |             |             | \$0.00       | \$200.00            |                   | \$0.00       |
| Symposium & Meetings                  |             |             | \$0.00       | \$2,400.00          |                   | \$0.00       |
| Telephone Directories                 |             |             | \$0.00       | \$100.00            |                   | \$0.00       |
| T-Shirts / Hats / Visors / Decals     |             |             | \$0.00       | \$300.00            |                   | \$0.00       |
| Christmas Providers                   | **\$21.92   |             | \$0.00       |                     | \$550.00          | \$0.00       |
| <b>APPROVED APPROPRIATIONS</b>        |             |             |              |                     |                   |              |
| 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                           |             |             | \$0.00       |                     | \$500.00          | \$0.00       |
| 911 Day                               |             |             | \$0.00       |                     | \$200.00          | \$0.00       |
| Water By The Gallon                   |             |             | \$0.00       |                     | \$200.00          | \$0.00       |
| <b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>                 | \$168.40    | \$34.00     | \$202.40     | \$6,965.00          | \$4,450.00        | \$168.40     |
| <b>MAJOR PROJECTS</b>                 |             |             |              |                     |                   |              |
| Brick Expense                         |             | \$350.00    | \$350.00     |                     |                   |              |
| Sculpture                             |             |             | \$0.00       |                     |                   |              |
| <b>NET INCOME (LOSS)</b>              | \$290.14    | \$18.98     | \$309.12     |                     |                   | \$9,081.60   |
| <b>BANK</b>                           |             |             |              |                     |                   |              |
| Beginning of Period                   | \$2,800.70  | \$2,908.08  |              |                     |                   |              |
| End of Period                         | \$2,908.08  | \$2,524.08  |              |                     |                   |              |
| TRANSFER (Money Market-Checking)      |             |             |              |                     |                   |              |
| <b>MONEY MARKET ACCOUNT</b>           | \$21,926.31 | \$21,979.29 |              |                     |                   |              |

## Eules Citizens Police Academy Alumni Association Minutes of the Tuesday, February 20, 2001 Meeting

**GUEST SPEAKER:** Eules' Municipal Court Judge, Lacy D. Britten.

Meeting called to order at 8:00 p.m.

**PRESENT:** President, Leah Benoit; Vice President, Chris Shanahan; Second Vice President, Pat Lane; Secretary, Susan Vest; Lou Baum, Byron Benoit, Bob Bouse, Dan Clark, Dale Derstine, Martha Derstine, Sharon Finnegan, Helen Lightbody, Barbara Lucas, Don Martin, Linda Martin, Brian McGarry, Sara Munday, Sherrod Munday, Judie Nolden, Helio Rosental, David Shanahan, Al Simmenroth, Barney Snitz, Geri Sorg, Rose-Marie Stevens, Margaret Stowe, Helen Wagner and Cliff Thompson.

**LIAISON:** Sgt. Ron Williamson

**MINUTES:** A motion was made by Linda Martin to accept the January minutes as stated in the Newsletter. Second by Barbara Lucas. Passed.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** A motion was made by Chris Shanahan to accept the December 2000 Treasurer's Report. Second by David Shanahan. Passed. A motion was made by Geri Sorg to accept the January 2001 Treasurer's Report. Second by Barbara Lucas. Passed.

### COMMITTEE REPORTS:

#### *Fund Raising Reports:*

1. Leah announced that Rose-Marie Stevens has volunteered to be the Fund Raising Pro Temp this year.
2. Brick Fund Raiser – Leah Benoit reported that we have sold 303 bricks, totaling \$15,375.
3. Rose-Marie passed around the Bass Pro Shops sign up sheet for volunteers the weekends of March 3 & 4 and March 10 & 11. Shifts on Saturday are 10:00 am to 3:00 pm; 2:00 pm to 7:00 pm and 5:00 pm to 10:00 pm; Sunday shifts are 10:00 am to 3:00 pm and 2:00 pm to 7:00 pm. Incentives to work include food, easy work and employee discounts. Rose-Marie also said that there were opportunities to work through the weeks of February 27 through March 11, for those that cannot work on the weekend or would like to put in extra time. Bass Pro Shops pays the Association \$8.00 per hour.
4. Rose-Marie made a motion to have volunteers bring refreshments to the meetings. Second by Pat Lane. A sign up sheet was passed around. Martha Derstine and Margaret Stowe volunteered for March. Each month the volunteers will be listed in the monthly newsletter.
5. No report for Arbor Daze. Should be in full swing for March.

#### *Membership Report:*

1. Chris Shanahan reported that we have 48 paid members for 2001.

#### *Newsletter Report:*

1. Chris Shanahan – No report. Chris did report that he is working on the Web page update.

### EXECUTIVE UPDATES:

1. Leah Benoit mentioned that the Audit Committee would be meeting very soon.
2. The By-Laws Committee will be meeting at the Police Department on March 13 at 7:00 pm to begin the By-Laws update.
3. Leah Benoit thanked Dan Clark for producing the ECPAAA Calling Tree. Great job! Extras were available.
4. 2001 CPA Symposium will be held in Austin on August 2-4. ECPAAA has budgeted five members to attend. The Association will pay for the member's Registration, Hotel room and tax. Two members will be selected by the President and the other three will be selected through a drawing from all interested members. The winners will be selected at the March meeting. Leah mentioned that it may cost the members an additional \$100 for food and beverages. She stated that one lunch and the Awards Banquet Dinner would be provided. Leah also mentioned that anyone who had already paid their Registration, would be reimbursed if they were selected. The "Ron Express" will be leaving on Thursday and returning on Sunday, since the Banquet is on Saturday evening. Many members are interested. July 1<sup>st</sup> is the deadline for the \$75.00 Registration fee. After July 1<sup>st</sup>, the fee will be \$85.00. Everyone was encouraged to book the hotel room now because the rooms do go fast. Leah also mentioned that there will be an article in the March newsletter.
5. Geri Sorg mentioned that she is on the Regional By-Laws Committee to update the Regional By-Laws due to several cities breaking up into quadrants and other issues that have surfaced.

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- hotel room and tax only for the five winners. Food will be the responsibility of the Alumni Members.
- ◆ The winners will be announced sometime during the meeting. Each will be given a registration form, which must be turned in to Leah Benoit before you leave for the night. We want to make sure everyone is registered before the deadline of July 1<sup>st</sup>. Please make your hotel reservations as soon as possible in order to secure a hotel room at the conference rate of \$89.00 plus tax. If your hotel reservation is made after the deadline of July 1<sup>st</sup>, you will be responsible for the difference in the hotel room rate and tax. FYI - hotel rooms go really quick.
  - ◆ If you cancel for any reason after the cancellation deadline of July 1<sup>st</sup>, you will be held responsible for paying the \$75.00 registration fee back to the Alumni. If you must cancel before July 1<sup>st</sup>, please inform Leah Benoit and we

will pick another person and get that person registered before the deadline.

- ◆ For those interested in riding with Ron Williamson, he will be driving to Austin and leaving sometime on Thursday, August 2<sup>nd</sup>. We will be returning to Euless on Sunday morning, August 5<sup>th</sup>. Please let Ron know if you will be riding with him or taking your own transportation.
- ◆ If your name is drawn for the 2001 Convention, you are not eligible to enter in the year 2002, but will be eligible again in 2003.
- ◆ You must have your 2001 dues paid.
- ◆ And last, but not least, **YOU MUST BE PRESENT TO WIN.**

Good luck to everyone, and if you have any questions, please feel free to call Leah Benoit at (817) 283-6703.



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6. Don Martin mentioned that he still had COP openings for March 2<sup>nd</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup>.
7. Sgt. Ron Williamson said that Class 13 would be starting on March 8. The last position was filled at the Town Hall Meeting that was held last week. He said that he only has one person for the Fall class as of now. He asked everyone to put in names.
8. The last Town Hall Meeting is scheduled for March 1 at Wilshire Elementary at 7:00 pm. Sgt. Williamson stated that the format was the same for all Town Hall Meetings, however, there were unique questions regarding the issues around the meeting place.
9. Sgt. Williamson invited everyone to the Police Award Banquet which is being held at Campus West on Friday, February 23. The tickets are \$30 a piece.
10. Lou Baum will be recognized Tuesday night at the City Council Meeting for being chosen as one of the five recipients of the Lewis Hines Award, a National Humanitarian Award. Sgt. Williamson asked everyone to put the date on their calendar and support Lou.
11. COPS is doing good. Sgt. Williamson mentioned that he would get the driver's door lock fixed.
12. Sgt. Williamson also updated the Association on the kidnapping incident. He stated that the FBI is working with the Mexican Government. Once the woman made her plea to Channel 4, the Mexican Government decided they needed a Provisional Warrant, which takes time. Sgt. Williamson said that Euless will continue to conduct this as a true abduction. He also said that the FBI has really been good. Geri Sorg mentioned that they were able to get Crime Victims Assistance for the abduction girls' family.

#### COMMENTS FROM THE FLOOR:



Brian McGarry shared that it would be faster to purchase the stakes needed to put the brick signs up. Lou mentioned that the signs were ready to be picked up and put in place. Sgt. Williamson said that we would have to have permission from the land owner at the corner of Airport Freeway and Main St. and that the sign would need to be at least twenty (20) feet from the road.

A motion was made by Chris Shanahan to adjourn the meeting at 8:34 p.m. Second by Al Simmenroth. Passed.



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responsibilities, she considers her children the most valuable thing in her life. "If my children grow up happy, get a good education, marry a Godly person, and have a job that they enjoy, then I have succeeded".

Come to the meeting on March 20, at 7 p.m. in the

conference room of Building A and listen as an experienced policewoman tells us about policing, Euless and the DFW area from her side of the street. She is an interesting and entertaining speaker that we will certainly enjoy.



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## Reminders...

⇒ **ECPAAA Meeting Tuesday, March 20, 2001**  
**Building A Conference Room at 7:00 PM!**

⇒ ECPAAA's web page address <http://www.ecpaaa.org>  
Look for the changes to come to the Alumni Association's Web Page!!

## Important Information!!

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 Sub-

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](mailto: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!!