

TEXAS CITIZENS POLICE ACADEMY ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

REGION ONE

The March Region One Meeting is on Saturday, March 10, 2007 at 10:00 A.M. with refreshments being served at about 9:00 A.M. The meeting is sponsored by HCPAAA and is at the HPD Police Academy, 17000 Aldine Westfield. The program will be presented by Beth Alberts of Amber Alert. The Academy is in the vicinity of the Houston (Bush) Intercontinental Airport. Going north on I-45 from Houston, take the Rankin Road exit which is the first exit after the Sam Houston Parkway/Beltway 8 interchange. Turn right and go to Aldine Westfield. The Academy is on the northeast corner of the intersection. Go past the main entrance to the entrance to the parking lot. From the Sam Houston Parkway/Beltway 8, take the Aldine Westfield exit and turn north to the intersection with Rankin Road.

We are suspending the publication of the Flash due to member organizations reluctance to send in Alumni news to the Flash. All member organizations have been requested to send in news. For example, the news for the March Flash should have been sent in by February 28th. For those members who planned to attend the March meeting, it would have been the news to be presented at the March meeting. You did not, however, have to have plans to attend the March meeting to send in news about your Alumni. The purpose of the Flash when it was started was to provide a meeting notice and Alumni news for those who could not attend the meetings. A meeting notice can be put out on a short notification as is done here. We would be interested in hearing from the member organizations as to their reasons for not submitting news for publication.

2007 Meeting Dates and Locations:

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| January 13 | Webster | July 14 | Brenham |
| February 10 | Lake Jackson | August 11 | Sugar Land |
| March 10 | Houston | September 8 | Montgomery County |
| April 14 | Dickinson | October 13 | Texas City |
| May 12 | | November 10 | Angleton |
| June 9 | Pearland | December 8 | |

We received news from only three member association for March. Thanks to Brenham, Montgomery County and Webster for taking the time to submit news.

Brenham. CPA class 21 is going strong. So far they have toured the jail and had some fun handcuffing each other. The class on Communications showed them what it's like "behind the scenes" where all the action happens. The DWI class held their interest. The class enjoyed "testing" the CPAAA members who made the sacrifice and did a little drinking. And as always Use of Force was a hit! Literally. There was a lot of hitting going on. Assistant Chief Petrash put on the Red Man Suit and the class attempted to take him down. On Valentine's Day the CPA

delivered flowers for a local florist for a portion of the delivery fee. This was an easy fundraiser that took only one day and raised quite a bit of money.

Submitted by Chris Pieper

Montgomery County. January 2007 - We had our graduation for our 2006 class in November. We had 17 people sign up and 16 of them are looking forward to joining the Alumni. Everyone had a great time.

February 2007 - we have the annual Casa Gala to help raise money for special kids. This is a night out in a Vegas setting and lots of fun. We will help at Sheriff Gage's annual Fish Fry. We will be selling raffle tickets for several prizes to be given out. Also this month we will be helping with the Officers Appreciation Banquet in East County. This month also starts the first Shattered Lives Presentation at the Woodlands High School. We have 5 presentations scheduled this year. We are still working at our Fund Raiser to help our SWAT Team. It's going slow, but we are not giving up. We are starting a Scholarship Fund to help out a lucky person that is working back in the jail and would like to go forward into education in Law Enforcement.

Submitted by Jeanette Graff

Webster. Webster CPAAA assisted at the Child Car Safety Seat Fair on February 17 at the Texas Avenue Fire Station. Sponsored by the Webster Police Dept, the fair included inspections of child car seats as well as the "WHALE*" project, and child immunizations by the city's EMS service (Clear Lake Emergency Medical Corps).

* Note: WHALE=We Have A Little Emergency (a system used in 34 states to identify occupants of the seats in the event the adult occupants of the vehicle are not conscious because of a collision).

Webster will have a new CPA class starting March 22.

Submitted by Leo Waltz