



# Denton Citizen Police Academy Alumni Association 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter Newsletter



## CONGRATULATIONS!

### Volunteer Hours

Goal: Exceeded  
4,000 Hrs.



4,684 Hrs.  
as of  
9/29/17!!!

*Remember to log in your volunteer hours!*

[www.DentonCPAAA.org](http://www.DentonCPAAA.org)



You may log hours until 12:AM September 30, 2017. On October 1, 2017, we begin a new volunteer year. This has been a very good year for volunteering. Thanks to all who gave of your time and energy. Many of you will be recognized at our Awards Banquet on October 17.

Hope to see you there.

## Website



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## Events Report

### JUNE SOCIAL

Our June General Meeting, on the 11th was held at RT's Restaurant. We had very good attendance. Approximately 22 CPAAA members were present. The food was delicious



(especially the onion rings), the conversation was lively, and the fellowship was enjoyed. We had a chance to meet some of the members we did not know. We intend to have more social events during the next year. We will keep you posted.

### DENTON BACK TO SCHOOL EVENT



On Saturday, August 12, the CPAAA participated in the Denton Back to School Event at the Civic Center. It was quite a day! So many elementary and middle school kids were there with a parent or parents! This event was sponsored by the Denton Police Department and coordinated by Officer Cleo Birckbichler.

We gave away approximately 750 backpacks to elementary and middle schoolers! There were also games, a bounce house, raffles, prizes, free books, a live DJ, and to top it off, free burgers, chips, and drinks provided by In-N-Out Burger. Adults were given free immunizations, and there were free vision screenings by Denton Lion's Club. Thanks to all sponsors.

We were very pleased to be a part of this event. It is a much needed service for many Denton school kids and their parents. We definitely want to participate next year.





## DENTON ARTS & AUTOS

Downtown Denton looked like a car lot of very beautiful and special cars on Saturday, October 9. There were 267 of these beauties parked all around the downtown square. The CPAAA worked with the Denton Main Street Association handling barriers, directing traffic, and generally being of help anywhere needed. Our booth sold the Back the Blue t-shirts, caps, etc.

It was a beautiful late summer day, and many folks came to look and admire the cars on display, sample the goodies to eat, and generally have a great time. After all were totaled, we were told there were about 10,000 people who attended this event!

## PUBLIC SAFETY DAY AND BELL TOWER DEDICATION 9/11/17

On September 11, 2017 the Denton Fire and Police Departments held their annual Public Safety Day. This event gives citizens a chance to see the emergency vehicles, watch bomb squad demonstrations, eat some free food, and to talk to and ask questions of the police officers and the firefighters. It is a popular event, especially for Denton County children!



This year was very special, because there was a very important and meaningful ceremony added. A beautiful belltower was presented and dedicated to the first responders who died on 9/11/01. The belltower has one of the I beams from the World Trade Center, and it houses the original Denton fire alarm bell purchased in 1884. Quite a crowd sat and stood on the lawn of the firestation on Hickory St. The crowd listened to several speakers, but one was very special. Bill Spade, a retired New York City firefighter, and a first responder at 9/11, told of his experiences that day in 2001. The entire ceremony was very meaningful and moving.

## WANT TO HELP WITH THE SKY TOWER??

Contact Officer Bryan Cose

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## **BACK THE BLUE**

Sales are still going strong for our t-shirts, caps, and jackets. You may purchase them at any of our events or the Police Training Center.



T-shirts: SS, LS, and Youth  
Hats  
Jackets

### **Upcoming Events**

October 14 - Neighborhood Empowerment Summit  
October 17 – Annual CPAAA Awards Banquet  
December 1 – Holiday Tree Lighting  
December 5 – City Council Meeting  
December 14 – Officer Appreciation Day

### **Board Of Directors 2017**

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### **Contact Information**

If you would like to share some information in the newsletter, please send it to Melissa Grissom [grissomel@yahoo.com](mailto:grissomel@yahoo.com) by November 15 for inclusion in the next newsletter, December 2017.