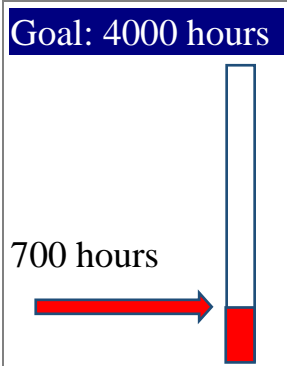




# Denton Citizen Police Academy Alumni Association 1st Quarter Newsletter January-March 2020



## Volunteer Hours

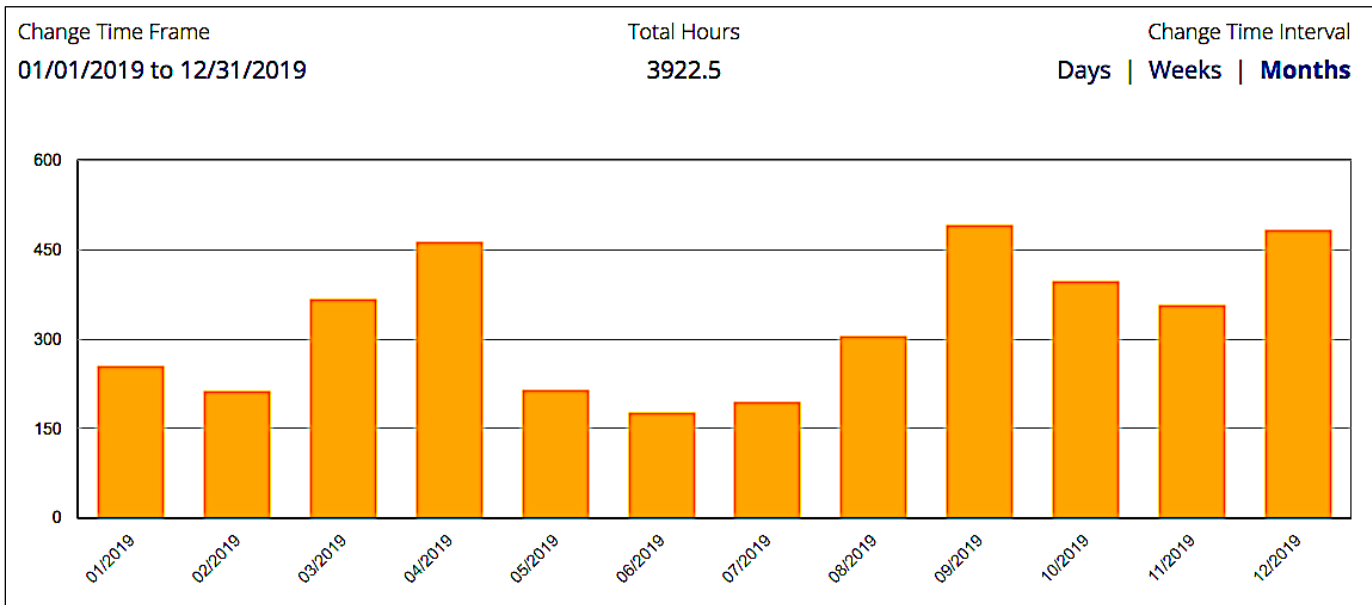


**Remember to log in your volunteer hours on Track It Forward!**

During the first quarter (Jan 1-March 31) 2020, we have logged nearly 700 hours! Thanks so much for your dedication to this organization and remember to keep logging those hours.

Remember it's easier to log your hours as they happen. If you have questions are having problems logging in or forgot your password, please email [dentoncpaaainfo@gmail.com](mailto:dentoncpaaainfo@gmail.com).

**For the entire year 2019, we logged 3,923 hours!**



## Congratulations to all our 2020 board memers!

### Board of Directors 2020

President: Rodney Shutts  
Vice President: Mary Beth Cottingham  
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### Website



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

Please visit our website for information, to log hours and to sign up for events.  
You can also see copies of past newsletters and photos from events.

### What's new on the website

- Forms have been added to give members the opportunity to voice concerns, questions and encourage new ideas for our organization. These forms can be found under the Resources tab on our website [dentoncpaaa.org](http://dentoncpaaa.org).
- Order forms for CPAAA uniform items and Back the Blue fundraising items have also been added under the resources tab.
- An Orientation Manual has been added to give graduating CPA class members and idea of what our organization is all about and how they can contribute. It can be found under the Resources tab on our website.

## Events Report



### Spring CPA Class

Started on Feb 10<sup>th</sup> and we have 21 members enrolled in the class!



## CPANNT meeting March 7, 2020



Denton hosted the CPAANT (Citizen Police Academy Alumni of North Texas) regional meeting at the Denton Public Safety Training Center.

10:00am – 12:00pm

Mary Beth is our CPAANT representative who attends their



monthly meetings and invites anyone who is interested to attend as well. This is a great opportunity to see how the CPAAAs from other cities support their police departments. For more information you can visit their website at [cpaant.org](http://cpaant.org) or visit their Facebook page. At the meeting, we made \$258.63 selling Back the Blue t-shirts and hats. ***Thank you to all those who volunteered at this event!***

## A special recognition to one of our own - Gary Steele

The Texas Veteran's Hall of Fame Foundation and Museum was created to honor Texas Veterans for their service to Texas and our country. The goal is to educate the public about Texas Veteran's outstanding service, sacrifice and accomplishments through documented profiles and stories. Texas is steeped in military history with museums scattered all over the State, however, the Texas Veterans Hall of Fame is the only one exclusively dedicated to honoring Texas Military Veterans. And it's here in Denton! The Foundation's president is Gary Steele, past president of the CPAAA, who is retired from the military and a Vietnam Veteran.





In 2019, the Texas Veterans Hall of Fame Foundation began the task of researching Texas military history. The inaugural Hall of Fame Induction ceremony honoring over 20 Texas Medal of Honor Recipients took place in the Fall of 2019. In addition, "Patriot" markers were placed on 176 WWI veterans' graves in two Denton cemeteries. In 2020, another group of inductees will be added to the Hall of Fame, the museum content in the Golden Triangle Mall will be expanded, and markers will be placed on the graves of 316 WWII veterans.

The Foundation will also be working with UNT on the potential development of a tract of land located at 308 Bradley Street, between Oak and Scripture. This location is the former site of Veterans Village and apartment complex, which served as temporary housing for World War II veterans returning home from WWII that were attending UNT.

Please visit the mini museum, located in the Golden Triangle Mall, to learn more about Texas veterans and the efforts of the Foundation to raise awareness of their historic efforts. For more information you can visit the Foundation website at <https://texasveteranshalloffame.org/> or read the article in the Denton Record Chronicle at [https://dentonrc.com/news/local-vets-want-texas-veterans-hall-of-fame-in-denton/article\\_f96e4be0-e8b9-515c-8051-067dfefb9672.html](https://dentonrc.com/news/local-vets-want-texas-veterans-hall-of-fame-in-denton/article_f96e4be0-e8b9-515c-8051-067dfefb9672.html).

## 2020 CPAAA General Meeting Schedule

- January Meeting (01/14/20)
- February Off
- March Meeting (03/10/20)
- April Off
- May Social (TBD)
- June Range Day (TBD)
- July Off
- August Meeting (08/11/20)
- September Meeting (09/08/20)
- October Awards Banquet (TBD)
- November Meeting (11/10/20)
- December meeting & Elections (12/08/20)



## Upcoming Events 2020 and Volunteer Opportunities

If you would like to volunteer, please sign up in *Track It Forward* when you receive an email invitation.

- April 4 - Denton Redbud Festival [canceled]
- April 15 - CPAAA presentation at CPA class
- April 22 - Spring CPA graduation
- April 24 thru April 26, 2020 – Arts and Jazz Festival
- August - Denton Back to School Fair
- September - 21<sup>th</sup> Annual Arts and Autos
- September - Fall Citizen's Police Academy class begins
- October - CPAAA Awards Banquet
- October 7, 2020 - National Coffee with a Cop Day
- December 4, 2020 - Denton Holiday Lighting
- December - Cocoa with a Cop
- December - Denton City Council Meeting Proclaiming Officer Appreciation Day
- December - Fall CPAAA presentation to CPA class
- December - Fall CPA class graduation
- December - Officer Appreciation Day

## Visit our social media page

<https://www.facebook.com/DentonCPAAA/>

*Visit us, Like it, Share it, Invite friends, and Post your comments!*



## Contact Information

The 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter newsletter will be released in July. If you have information you would like included in the next newsletter, please contact Susie Mikler at [srmikler@gmail.com](mailto:srmikler@gmail.com) by June 20, 2020.