

POLICE



# THE RAP SHEET

PEARLAND CITIZENS POLICE ACADEMY  
ALUMNI ASSOCIATION NEWSLETTER

## ROGERS' ROLL CALL

By Officer Chad Rogers, CPA Liason

Welcome to the May 2022 Rap Sheet. The month of April was a great time, with a lot of memories. We graduated Pearland Police Academy Cadet Class #1. I am very proud of those five gentlemen for all of the work they have put in to graduate.

CPA Class #53 will graduate on May 5 here at the PD, and many of them have made the decision to join the PCPAAA. Expect to see new faces at the volunteer opportunities and PCPAAA Meetings. We have our new hire test on May 7 and have been very busy recruiting to bring the best applicants to test with us. We will have Advanced CPA Class starting on June 2, 9, 16, and 23. The classes will consist of De-Escalation, CRASE, Medical Skills, and Negotiator Scenario Night. I am still working out the detail of another Citizens on Patrol class, but expect that in June.

The month of May marks the dates for Texas Police Memorial Services and National Police Week. The Pearland Police Department Honor Guard will be participating in events in Austin, Houston, Brazoria County Sheriff's Office, and Washington D.C. this month. A huge Thank You to the PCPAAA for helping fund a portion of the trip to D.C. this year.

As always if you need anything please give me a call or email me. Stay Safe, Stay Vigilant

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# OFFICER SPOTLIGHT

by Charles Gougenheim

This month's officer is **Anthony Baggett** who is currently working C Squad's 6:00 PM to 6:00 AM shift. type your words

Anthony has been married to Isabel since 2016 and has a 5 year old son, Carter.

Anthony was born and raised in central Illinois in the small farming town of Argenta with a population of 900 people. He attended Argenta-Oreana High School and graduated in 2005. He graduated with a bachelor's from Southern Illinois University - Carbondale in 2009 majoring in Administration of Justice, and a minor in Political Science.

Anthony always had an interest in law enforcement and knew from an early age that he would pursue this type of career.

He started with Deer Park Police Department in 2014 and went to Houston Community College Police Academy graduating with the top TCOLE score for his class. He began his career with Pearland Police Department in 2021. Anthony enjoys patrol and he has been a Drug Recognition Expert since 2017 and actively seeks out impaired drivers. He has been awarded the MADD award every year he has been in law enforcement and has approximately 500 DWI arrests.

In the future he is interested in working in DDACTS and being proactive and searching out the criminal element which is something that he has excelled at throughout his law enforcement career.

When not working, Anthony enjoys spending time with his son Carter by doing outdoor activities, teaching him to fish, explore the woods, and playing sports (soccer and basketball for now).

The reason he has such a strong passion for seeking out and arresting impaired drivers is due to the fact that he has lost family members to impaired driving crashes and knows numerous officers that have been hurt and or killed due to impaired driving crashes. He was struck on December 16th 2017 in his patrol vehicle head on while attempting to stop a wrong way impaired driver. The crash was featured in the opening scene of a Documentary focusing on DWI that was produced by Texas Pictures Studio, titled "10,000 Lives."

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### May

- 03 - Pear Run Committee Mtg
- 05 - Class #53 Graduation
- 07 - Pear Run @ Independence Park
- 10 - Board Meeting
- 15 - TXCPAAA Conference Registration Deadline
- 16 - General Meeting (Surprise tour!)

### June

- 12-14 - TXCPAAA Conference, Montgomery County
- 18 - General Meeting





# BILLY'S BROUHAHA

by Billy Pyeatt

Greetings to all! Well May is finally here and you know what that means, **Pear Run!** That's right our biggest fundraiser of the year is back after a two year hiatus. By the time you are reading this the Pear Run will be just a few days away. Our goal for this years Pear Run was 250 participants. As of April 29 we are at 261. I wouldn't be surprised if we hit 300! In order to ensure we have another successful event we need our members to come out and volunteer. You should have already received emails with the opportunity to sign-up. At last count, **WE STILL NEED MORE VOLUNTEERS.** The more we have the easier it will be.

Thank you to all who volunteered during the Fall 2021 gun raffle. We raised a total of \$9,713.87. The department was able to fund their drone purchase from another, unexpected, source, so we are working to determine a new purpose for this fundraising.

At the last board meeting the board voted and appointed **Jennifer Cooper** to the position of Treasurer. Jennifer has lots of experience in this realm and will be a tremendous resource to the Association. Next time you see Jennifer make sure to congratulate her on the appointment. For me personally, this is a weight off my shoulders. I took a look back and realized that of the 12 years I have been a member of this association, 6 of those years were as Treasurer. I look forward to working with Jennifer going forward!

Finally, want to spotlight **Cheryl Sweeney** and her team for all the volunteer activities they have undertaken in the month of April. There was promotion ceremony, the Inaugural Pearland Police Academy Class #1 Cadet graduation and Employee Wellness Presentation. A big **THANK YOU** to Cheryl and all the other members who help make these events successful!

## WE NEED YOU!

We could use your help! Email [info@pcpaaa.com](mailto:info@pcpaaa.com):

- **Communications** - The Rap Sheet (gathering/writing articles and photos), social media (Facebook/Instagram), emails (via MailChimp)
- **Membership** - Class #53 greeters & graduation, new member mentors, call/email/letter to former members
- **Police Appreciation** - assistance with planning special activities & treats for each area of the police department.
- **Pear Run** - We need everyone's help with this one! No matter what, we have something you can do!

All volunteer sign ups are on our website - [www.PCPAAA.com/volunteer](http://www.PCPAAA.com/volunteer)



**Renew Your  
PCPAAA  
Membership  
Today!**

You can now renew your PCPAAA membership online at [pcpaaa.com/renew](http://pcpaaa.com/renew) or in person at any upcoming PCPAAA event.

## VOLUNTEER HOURS

Don't forget to report your volunteer hours for last month. Email your hours (inside, outside & COPs) to [janetcrissie@gmail.com](mailto:janetcrissie@gmail.com)

- **Inside** - volunteer hours that happen inside the Pearland PD building.
- **Outside** - volunteer hours that take place outside of the Pearland PD building.
- **COPs** - handicap parking patrol hours





# PEARLAND POLICE ACADEMY CLASS #1

On April 22nd, Pearland Police Academy graduated its very first class of officers. Congratulations to these fine men, as well as all of the PPD instructors who poured into them over the past six months.

We were honored to provide the snacks, drinks, gifts and special decorations for the event. Thank you to Cheryl Sweeney and her band of helpers who made this a night to remember for all.







# CIVILIAN SPOTLIGHT

by Charles Gougenheim

This month's Pearland's Police Department civilian support person is **Grant Yates**, who works the C squad shift in the Jail facility.

Grant was born in Clear Lake Texas on February 10th 1995 and was raised in the Pearland and Friendswood area. He graduated from Alvin High School in 2013. He also attended San Jacinto Junior College where he took introductory classes.

Grant has been married to his lovely wife Nancy since February 2020.

Grant enlisted in the U.S. Army in March 23rd 2015 and became an infantry motorman, MOS 11C. He was stationed at Ft Hood Texas where he rose to the rank of specialist. He got out of the Army in October 2017.

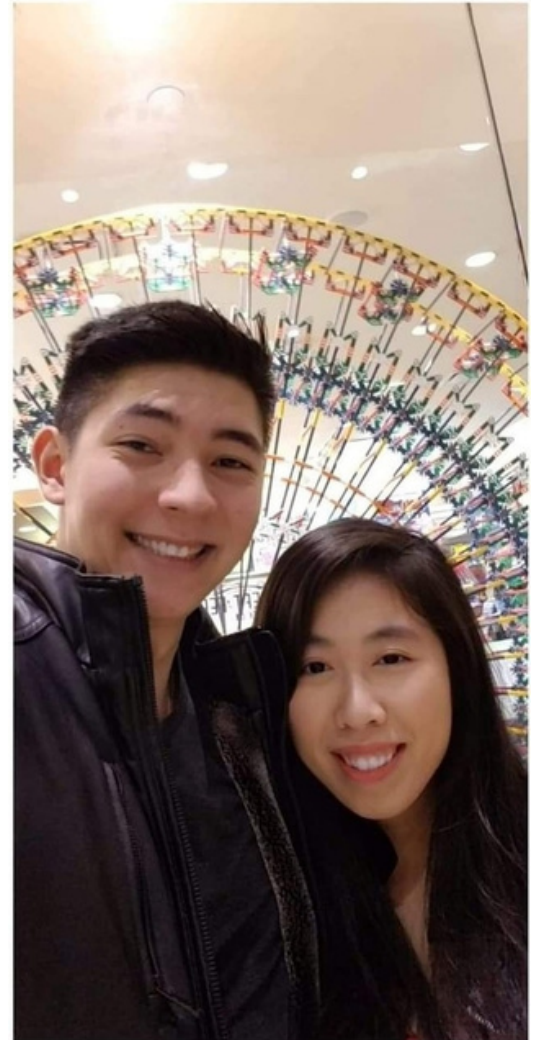
He has been with the Pearland Police Department since the middle of November 2021. Grant while working in the jail has acquired several key skills that have helped him deal with the inmates. He is qualified presently on The Automated Fingerprint Identification System (AFIS) and the booking in paperwork procedure.

What led Grant toward this career was watching police shows on television as a child and one day becoming an officer. He started in the jail to gain experience that would help in as an officer.

Some of his hobbies are spending time with his wife, hiking, working out, movies, traveling and playing video games.

His near future plans are to become a Pearland Police officer and to start a family soon after achieving that goal. Later on he wants to travel overseas to Korea, Japan, Italy, France and Viet Nam.

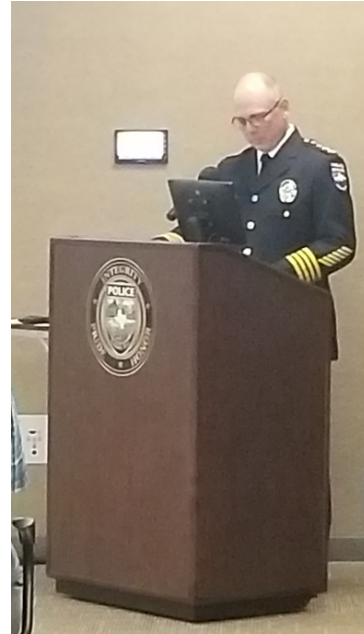
Grant's impact moment occurred when he was nine years old. His parents were having a physical altercation at home. Two female Pearland officers responded and his father attacked one of the officers. That was a big point in his youth to make him want to work for the Pearland Police Department because of how they handled the situation and made him feel safe. His parents never had a physical altercation after that time.





# POLICE DEPT HAS A NEW SERGEANT

On Thursday, April 21, 2022 Officer Alex Rudenko was promoted to Sergeant by Pearland Police Chief Johnny Spires. Sergeant Rudenko has been with the department since June 2007 and has served in the Patrol Division, the Honor Guard, the Bike Patrol Team, and various other functions.



# APRIL WAS VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION MONTH



The Pearland Police Department honored the CPA on Saturday, April 16, 2022 before our general meeting with a wonderful breakfast of breakfast tacos, donuts, fruit, and drinks to say "Thank You for what we do for them. In return we want to say "Thank You" to the officers for the nice gesture. The breakfast was delicious.

# PINWHEELS FOR CHILD ABUSE

In 2021, there were 514 confirmed cases of child abuse and 2 child deaths as a result of abuse or neglect in Brazoria County. One would have been too many. The Pearland Police Department held their annual Pinwheel Ceremony THE FIRST OF APRIL to acknowledge these confirmed cases by placing 514 pinwheels in the ground in front of the Police Department's Public Service Building.







# PEARY NEEDS YOU!

VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED FOR THE PEAR RUN  
MAY 7TH - INDEPENDENCE PARK

- Packet Pickups
- Race Marshalls/Guides
- Water Station
- Cheering Squads
- Hand out finisher medals
- And more!

SIGN UP AT [PCPAAA.COM/VOLUNTEER](http://PCPAAA.COM/VOLUNTEER)  
OR EMAIL US AT [INFO@PEARRUN.COM](mailto:INFO@PEARRUN.COM)



## TEXAS CPAAA REGION ONE

As a member of the Pearland CPAAA, you are invited to attend any of the monthly Texas CPAAA Region One meetings, and the state convention - which will be in Montgomery County at Margaritaville this June!

This month's meeting is May 14 and is hosted by the Montgomery County Sheriff Dept. Doors open at 9:00 AM, speaker starts at 9:30. Business meeting is 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM. The group usually meets for lunch afterwards.

Get more information about the meeting schedule, locations, topics and the State Convention at the Region One website <http://texascpaaa.org/Region1>

## BAD JOKES

**Q: WHAT DO YOU CALL AN ATTRACTIVE FRUIT?**

**A: A FINE-APPLE.**

**Q: WHAT DID THE CUPCAKE TELL ITS FROSTING?**

**A: I'D BE MUFFIN WITHOUT YOU.**

**Q: HOW DO YOU STOP AN ASTRONAUT'S BABY FROM CRYING?**

**A: YOU ROCKET!**





## FUNDRAISING: EASY WAYS TO SUPPORT PCPAAA



Amazon Smile

<https://smile.amazon.com/>



Kroger Charities

<https://www.kroger.com/i/community/community-rewards>

## A NEW WAY TO DONATE

We are very excited to share a new way to donate to PCPAAA.

You can now find a donation button on our website at [www.PCPAAA.com](http://www.PCPAAA.com) where anyone can donate to our organization.

It is open so that any amount over \$10 can be accepted via credit card.

So if you have anyone who would like to make a donation any time of the year, they can do so at [www.PCPAAA.com](http://www.PCPAAA.com)



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## HOW TO JOIN PCPAAA

PCPAAA members must first complete the Pearland Citizens Police Academy class.

To learn more about how to enroll in the class, go to <https://bit.ly/pearlandcpa>

If you are a Pearland CPA graduate and would like to join the Alumni Association, go to [pcpaaa.com/renew](http://pcpaaa.com/renew)

## 2022 PCPAAA BOARD OF DIRECTORS

- President - Billy Pyeatt
- 1st Vice President - Judy Gaudin
- 2nd Vice President - Steve Broeder
- Secretary - Linda Broeder
- Treasurer - Jennifer Cooper
- Police Dept Liaison - Officer Chad Rogers

- First Year Directors**
  - Heather Baker
  - Jack Baker
  - Crissie Emmons
  - April Hiatt
- Second Year Directors**
  - Richard Gaudin
  - Maria Reyes
  - Cheryl Sweeney
  - Cheryl Weaver