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## President's Message



### **Time Doesn't Make It Easier by Michael Mata**

July ..... July is a month that the people of the United States celebrate our country and remember those who have fallen in our history to give us our freedom. It's a time that we look back and remember why we cherish our country and celebrate its victories and triumphs, but also look at our past eras, and how those times have brought us disgrace, and learn to not repeat such flawed values and beliefs.

But July has a different meaning for Dallas officers, it will have a different meaning for me for the rest of my life. I, too, remember those who have fought for our freedom and have given their lives so that we can be born, raised and die in the greatest country on God's earth, but I think even more of every fallen officer that has given their life serving the City of Dallas.

Every day I walk into the DPA, enter the board room, look at our wall of the fallen and give thanks to them. I stare and hope not one more name or one more photo is added, but I know better. I know that we live in a world that has lost its way. We live in a world that has forgotten that life is special and is a gift and should be cherished and protected at all times. We live in a world that celebrates violence, dissension and lawlessness.

That is not the nation I choose to live in or celebrate. I choose to live in the world where kids respected their neighbors. Where neighbors were second parents to all the neighborhood kids and all the parents helped raise us. A time when you were disciplined by a community of parents, not just your own, and all parents approved it, but even more all expected it. It was a time when parents did not make excuses for their children but held them accountable for their actions. It was an era when a child was taught that things of value were earned through hard work and dedication, not merely by participation.

We need to get back to that era of "parental teachings" and accept our responsibilities as parents as we are molding the future citizens of this country. City governments need to stop pandering to the communities trying to fix them by throwing buckets of "free things". The city governments need to give

safe communities back to the citizens. The City of Dallas, instead of building gaudy bridges and shiny statues, needs to give low interest loans to families to help them rebuild the homes they own and the city needs to rebuild the parks they frequent and maintain a community that is safe, and to do that the city needs to give their first responders an above average wage and benefits.

We need city leaders who will make it their mission to build the relationships of the citizens and its police department everyday, not just the days when we lose an officer. We need city leaders who speak of the daily hard work and sacrifices that officers and firefighters make, not just in speeches at the police memorials and grave sites but at the public community meetings and city forums. The leaders of this city need to understand that it is their job not just the officers to maintain the confidence of the people we serve. The officers are not political punching bags that are trashed so that a politician can gain 5 more percentage points or 100 more votes.

We have had to put up with a Mayor that on a regular basis voiced his open disdain for the police and fire of this city. He did not care about the message he was sending to the public, he did not care that his disparaging words risked the safety of officers and firefighters. His public statements that accused officers of greed and of willful "stealing" of the city's money was not good enough, so he then raised the bar to "officers pistol whipping" the public in the back alleys of this city. No elected official should have the gall to state such inappropriate and down right disrespectful statements, but this one did and even worse no other city leader called him out on it. They all in private phone calls disavowed it, but not one publicly chastised this elected official for his callous words, that he made sure were always said in a public forum or in front of the bright lights of the television cameras.

It always seemed ironic that newspaper story after newspaper story would be printed by the beloved Dallas Morning News regarding mismanagement and large amounts of "lost or unaccounted" monies involving departments within city hall, but no one was ever fired or even demoted. These stories would come and go and the city leaders would point the finger at the next guy and then blame the police and fire for the budget shortfalls.

The police department has done more in the last 15 years of my career to pull back the curtain of the police profession to allow the citizens and the community we serve to see what we do everyday. Our work is more visible rather it be by body cameras or social media in an attempt to be transparent and open to the public, but we still are used by a small but loud percentage of the community as the villains in Dallas neighborhoods. We have reduced internal affair complaints by double digits all while making it incredibly easy to file those complaints. We have lowered police shootings to all time lows, all while the assaults on officers have risen and the amount of officers killed in the line of duty have dramatically increased.

People ask how did we get to the point that the police are the enemy?

It's simple. When city leaders and community leaders find it fashionable, when activists are allowed to make it profitable, and when parents allow it to be acceptable! That's how the American Police Officer became the enemy!

The American Police Officers cannot change this alone, it is the responsibility of everyone who wants to live in a safe a prosperous community that benefits all Dallas residents.

Always be safe and ready  
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## May Aaron Rucker



Officer Aaron Rucker 9004 was born and raised in Dallas TX. Officer Rucker has been a Dallas Police officer for 12 Years and currently assigned to South Central Patrol Right Care Team.

He has a genuine love and compassion for mankind. He states that he is grateful to have to opportunity to give back to the community that he was raised in. Officer Rucker's educational Background consists of a Master's degree of Science in Social Work from University of Texas at Arlington and a Bachelor's of Arts degree in Psychology from University of North Texas. He is a member of the National Association of Social Workers, National Honors Society for Psychology and National Honor Society for Criminal Justice. Officer Rucker exemplifies what a great servant of God and mankind should be.

Congrats on being May's Cops' Cop.

## June Austin Thomason

Officer Thompson currently patrols at South central. A few years ago Austin took over the South central intelligence position. Because of his hard work and the intelligence he has been able to provide , officers have been able to make countless felony arrests. He is always available for the next big call and he does everything he can to be there during your time of greatest need. He is there with you through the whole process guiding and helping you in every step until you both get to go home. Thank you so much for your hard work , its an honor to name you June's cops cop!



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## People

### Our Deepest Sympathy

The family of Ms. Anna F. St. Pierre, grandmother of **Police Officer Raymond Dumont** (Love Field).

The family of Mr. Jason Beall, grandson of **Sergeant Russell Sanchez** (Northeast).

The family of **Retired Senior Corporal Grady Ford, #1802**. Senior Corporal Grady Ford retired August 7, 1996, after 34 years of service.

The family of Damaris Martinez Hernandez, wife of **Police Officer Gabriel Vazquez** (Southwest).

The family of Ms. Esther Harmon, mother of **Senior Corporal Joey Robeson** (South Central).

The family of Ms. Patsy Ruth Richard, mother of **Police Officer Tevin Richard** (Southeast).

The family of **Senior Corporal Stephen S. Comstra** passed away May 2, 2019, off duty. He was assigned to the Central Investigative Unit and served for 15 years.

The family of Mr. Roland McCarthy, brother of **Sergeant Mike McCarthy** (South Central).

The family of Mr. Alfie Fraction, father of **Police Officer Alphie Fraction** (South Central).

The family of **Retired Corporal Jerry Raz, #1515**. Corporal Jerry Raz retired November 4, 1983, after 25 years of service.

The family of Mrs. Mathilda Malloy, mother of **Senior Corporal Tim Malloy** (Personnel)

The family of Mr. Alberto Garcia Perez, father of **Police Officer Robert Garcia** (Southwest).

The family of Ms. Albesa Guerra, mother of **Senior Corporal Scott Bazan** (Crime Scene).

The family of Ms. Jennifer McCormies, mother of **Sergeant Corey Cardoza** (Communication).

The family of **Retired Senior Corporal Thomas G. Gartrell #2162**. Senior Corporal Thomas G. Gartrell retired July 10, 1990, after 25 years of service.

The family of Reynaldo Torres, brother of **Police Officer Jesus Saucedo, Jr.** (Northwest).

The family of **Retired Corporal Jerry Wayne Foster**. Corporal Jerry Wayne Foster retired September 1, 1988, after 23 years.

The family of Mr. Donald Jackson, father of **Senior Corporal Angelo Johnson** (Southeast).

The family of Mr. Ceaphus Gordon Jr., father of **Police Officer Ceaphus Gordon, III** (Central).

The family of Mrs. Marilyn S. Guenter, mother of **Sergeant Karl Guenther** (Northwest) and **Retired Senior Corporal Marilyn Guenther**.

The family of Mr. Ronald Busbee, father-in-law of **Senior Corporal Fidel Perez** (Child Abuse).

The family of **Retired Corporal William M. Scott #2150**. Corporal William M. Scott retired August 22, 1985, after 20 years of service.

The family of Mr. Jerry Foreman, father of **Senior Corporal Nathan Foreman** (Northeast), father-in-law of **Police Officer Charles Tomlinson** (South Central) and cousin of **Retired Sergeant Rector McCollum**.

The family of Mr. Gene M. Smith, father of **Police Officer David S. Smith**.

### Thank You

Thank you for the plants sent to honor the memory of Jerry Foreman, father of Nathan Foreman and father-in-law of CJ Tomlinson, Dallas police officers. Sincerely, Vicki Foreman

Thank you for thinking of our family during this difficult time. We appreciated the beautiful plant that you sent to my mother-in-law's memorial service. Thank You, The Guerra & Bazan Family



Senior Corporal Robby Hull (Uncle) and Retired Detective Jeff Hull and wife Henrie (grandparents) are proud to welcome Emma Grace Torrez to their family. Emma Grace was born to parents Zach and Jillian Hull Torrez on May 20, 2019. She weighed 8lbs and 19 inches.



Catalina Bowen was born to parents Senior Corporal Justin Bowen (Financial Crimes) and wife, Senior Corporal Haydee Duran Bowen (Southeast) on June 27, 2019 weighing 8lbs. 6oz.



Big Brothers, Josiah and Levi are proud to welcome Norah Kay to parents Police Officer Michael Bailey (Southwest) and wife, Carrie on June 22, 2019. He weighed 5lbs. 15 oz. and 19 inches.



Lincoln Atticus Lopez was born to parents Police Officer Alec Lopez (Northeast) and wife Senior Corporal Lacie Lopez (Northeast) on May 9, 2019 weighing 7lbs. 10oz. and 19.5 inches.



Maximus Liam Ceraso was born to parents Senior Corporal Gregory Ceraso #9415 (K-9) and Police Officer Jazmin Ceraso #11141 (Southeast) on June 11, 2019. He weighed 6lbs 8oz and 20 inches.



Have a birth to announce in The Shield? Call 214.747.6839 or email [info@dallaspa.org](mailto:info@dallaspa.org) for a submission form.

## Second Vice President



### I Am My Brother's Keeper

By: Demarcus Turner

Many times, we wonder what if the suspect returns? What if a signal 15 comes out? What if I get complained on? What if I get seriously injured, what if I have a serious family emergency? What if? What if? What if? It's not always known when things will happen to you, a family member, a friend, your co-worker or just someone you know. But when it does

happen, you want to know that there are people behind you that will support you and your family through it all. The DPA is just that, we take care of our own. The only color that matters is BLUE. No matter the situation, no matter the need, we will do everything in our power to take care of any officer or their family member in need. Lately, we have had some unforeseen circumstances among our brothers and sisters in blue, and it is baffling how quickly we began to cast judgement or start false narratives toward one another before any real facts have been released. Hell, even before the investigation is even completed by the department those narratives begin to surface. I recall a critical incident happening here in Dallas, and a lot of officers wanted that same respect – not being labeled or ridiculed. If every time something comes out about one of our own, we begin to speak ill of that officer and cast them out of the blue line. How can we ask the citizens to give officers the benefit of the doubt or respect if we don't give it to one another? Respect is earned, not given. We must be the example showing respect to our fellow brothers and sisters in blue and not cast stones on one another, otherwise we definitely won't get any in return from anyone outside the organization.

“Whoever is careless with the truth in small matters cannot be trusted with important matters”

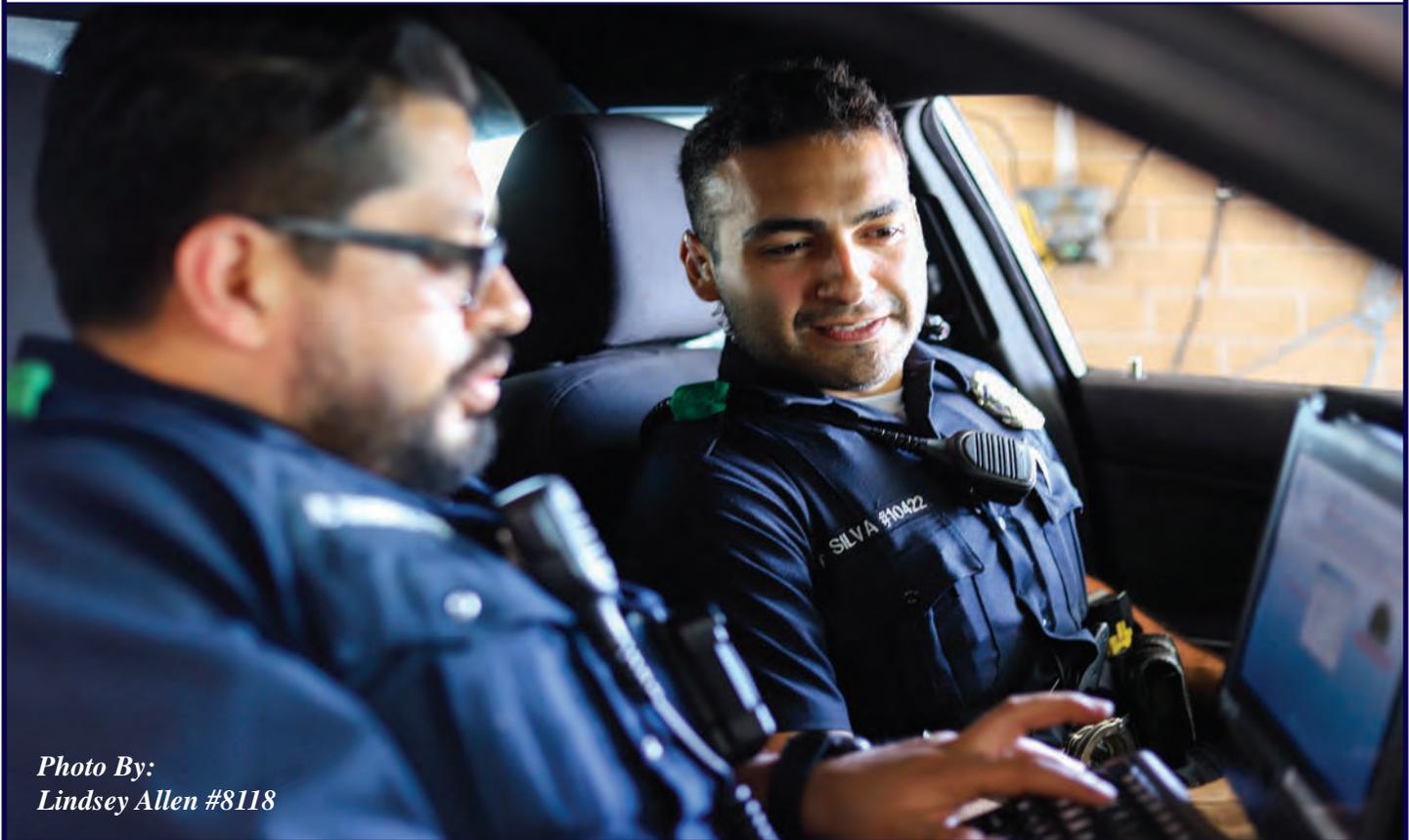
— **Albert Einstein**

“Be more concerned with your character than your reputation, because your character is what you really are, while your reputation is merely what others think you are.”

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“Great minds discuss ideas; average minds discuss events; small minds discuss people.”

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August 13, 2019 - 11:00 a.m.  
September 10, 2019 - 11:00 a.m.  
October 8, 2019 - 11:00 a.m.  
December 10, 2019 - 11:00 a.m.

### General Meeting

November 12, 2019 - 11:00 a.m.

### Extra Dues Schedule

June - Half Month  
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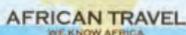
June - Half Month  
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### UPCOMING EVENTS

End of Summer Bash, Saturday August 17th  
ATO Golf Tournament, Friday September 20th  
Halloween Party, Friday October 18th  
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Christmas Party, Saturday December 7th

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## DID YOU MISS IT?? by Kevin Janse

All I can say is, if you missed it this year you missed the best! April 19th was the third annual Kevin Janse Endowment which, in turn, benefits Assist the Officer. The weather could not have been nicer once the quick thinking, a blazing bon fire assisted in that. Breakfast was plentiful as was the coffee to get the party started.

After a quick welcome and safety briefing, it was off to the carts and out to the courses. Over 150 shooters participated in the shotgun golf. When they were finished it was over to the shotgun golf where shooters shot golf balls out to a pin 700 yards. Campbell, walked away with the win and a new pistol after landing his ball just inches from the hole. Another drawing where the winner received half the pot, a three gun raffle and a regular raffle with lots of great prizes.

Shooters dined on fish and hush puppies, brats, hot dogs and hamburgers as they waited for the tallying of scores for best overall team, top males, top females, top juniors and top seniors.

The event could not have been so successful without a team of volunteers, both officers and civilians, that raised a lot of money for the endowment. Special thanks need to go to Vicky White, Caroline Ivey, Katie Campbell and Gordon. With a big thanks to the Double Six Cook Team who so graciously donated their time to see to it that everyone was well fed.

The event is getting bigger and better every year so put it in your calendar now, Good Friday 2020! Hope to see everyone there.





James Clay Shoot to benefit the Kevin James  
 chill of the morning wore off. Thanks to some  
 participants primed for a day of shooting,  
 others enjoyed the day shooting clays for a good  
 in 75 yards away. The winner, Lieutenant Kevin  
 among other activities and games were a 50/50  
 prizes.

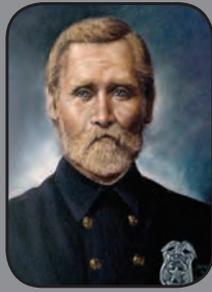
g of the scores. As always, awards were given  
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*Johnnie C. Gibson  
April 19, 1923*



*John R. Crain  
May 24, 1923*



*Dexter C. Philips  
Aug. 11, 1923*



*Charles Swinney  
June 21, 1925*



*Clarence M. Isbell  
Feb. 4, 1926*



*Alex W. Tedford  
Dec. 26, 1927*



*Sam G. Lanford  
June 29, 1933*



*Jesse E. Griffin  
Dec. 28, 1933*



*Luke J. Bell  
May 18, 1934*



*Ernest Leonard, Jr.  
May 28, 1935*



*John W. Diegen  
Aug. 10, 1935*



*John R. Roberts  
Dec. 23, 1935*



*Ralph W. Hoyt  
Feb. 10, 1937*



*Victor L. Morris  
Sept. 15, 1941*



*Ernest Bates, Jr.  
Dec. 5, 1942*



*Preston D. Hale  
Feb. 12, 1947*



*William E. Stafford  
Sept. 5, 1948*



*Johnny W. Sides  
Feb. 7, 1951*



*Leonard Mullenax  
Feb. 10, 1962*



*Ray Underwood  
Aug. 27, 1963*



*J.D. Tippit  
Nov. 22, 1963*



*Frank Bennett  
Sept. 5, 1964*



*James D. Stewart  
Nov. 12, 1967*



*Floyd A. Knight*  
Dec. 8, 1968



*Robert H. Shipp*  
Jan. 13, 1970



*Johnnie Hartwell*  
Nov. 10, 1971



*Allen P. Camp*  
March 25, 1972



*Carl Cooke*  
May 2, 1972



*Howard Hicks*  
June 23, 1972



*Joe C. Jones*  
July 28, 1972



*Levy McQuieter, Jr.*  
Aug. 17, 1972



*Milton E. Whatley*  
Oct. 7, 1973



*Donald P. Tucker*  
Dec. 13, 1973



*Leslie G. Lane, Jr.*  
March 2, 1974



*Alvin D. Hallum*  
Aug. 21, 1975



*Alvin E. Moore*  
Nov. 13, 1976



*Robert Wood*  
Nov. 28, 1976



*John T. McCarthy*  
Feb. 25, 1981



*Charles Maltese, Jr.*  
July 31, 1981



*John R. Pasco*  
Jan. 16, 1983



*Carl J. Norris*  
March 2, 1983



*Ronald D. Baker*  
May 2, 1983



*James C. Taylor*  
July 24, 1984



*Robert Cormier*  
July 24, 1984



*Thomas L. Harris*  
July 20, 1985



*Gary Blair*  
March 20, 1986



*James A. Joe*  
Jan. 14, 1988



*John G. Chase*  
Jan. 23, 1988



*Gary McCarthy*  
Feb. 26, 1988



*Walter Williams*  
Aug. 2, 1988



*Lawrence Cadena, Sr.*  
Dec. 13, 1988



*Lisa L. Sandel*  
Jan. 13, 1989



*Mark L. Fleming*  
Jan. 14, 1989



Michael Okelberry  
May 6, 1990



Thomas Burchfield  
May 6, 1990



Sunny M. Lov  
Nov. 4, 1990



Lawrence Bromley  
Dec. 11, 1991



Harold Hammons  
Jan. 22, 1992



Billy Daugherty  
Aug. 14, 1992



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Richard Lawrence  
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David R. Galvan  
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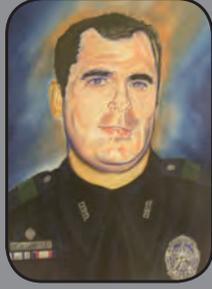
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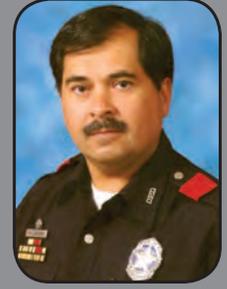
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Victor Lozada, Sr.  
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Norman Smith  
Jan. 6, 2009



Kevin Marceau  
Jan. 14, 2011



Michael Smith  
July 7, 2016



Michael Krol  
July 7, 2016



Paticio Zamarripa  
July 7, 2016



Lorne Ahrens  
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Rogelio Santander  
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Relative's that are police officers?

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***Zero Dark Thirty On The Trail***  
***By: Anthony Andujar***

Carry The Load was started by a veteran U.S. Navy Seal, Clint Bruce, who was frustrated because he felt people had forgotten his friends that he lost in service to our country. He also felt people had forgotten the true meaning of Memorial Day. People would come up to him and say, “Happy Memorial Day!” Worse yet, people would thank him for his service. This is probably the biggest insult because Veteran’s day is for service, Memorial Day is for remembering the sacrifice of service. He felt that most people had forgotten that the true meaning of Memorial Day was to honor the sacrifices of the people who had paid the ultimate sacrifice for our nation.

So, Clint put on a backpack and decided to take a walk around White Rock Lake to work off some of his frustrations. While he walked he thought about his buddies that he lost during his service. Along the way, he came upon an old veteran. The man had some years on him but was still sharp as a tack. Clint could tell he had seen and been through some things, just by the look in his eyes. The old veteran stopped Clint and asked him, “Son, who are you carrying?” This is how Carry The Load came to be the organization with the mission to bring back the true meaning of Memorial Day.

Clint, along with his friend, Stephen Holley started Carry The Load in 2011, and they organized a walk around White Rock Lake to remember the fallen on Memorial Day. This year Carry The Load had three relays. An East Coast relay that started in Boston, a West Coast relay that started in Seattle, and a Midwest Relay that started in Minneapolis. All three relays worked their way across the country and met here in Dallas on Sunday before Memorial Day. It took 32 days, and 11,000 miles with only one mission. To honor the sacrifices of our nations true heroes.

The Dallas Memorial March starts at Reverchon Park, goes up the Katy Trail and returns back to the park. There are no real rules to this event. You can carry as much or as little as you want. Some people

don’t carry anything, some people just carry a flag, and some people carry and wear, 70 pound full “Battle Rattle”. You can walk as long or as little as you want as well. Some people chose to just watch and support the participants, some walk one lap, and some walk all 20 hours and 19 minutes. There is no significance in the length of time other than it corresponds to the year and goes up by one minute each year, next year the event will be 20 hours and 20 minutes long. From the starting point in the park to the end of the trail and back to the park is 7 miles.

Along the way you see the American flags and storyboards lining the trail. The storyboards tell the story of people who have paid the ultimate sacrifice in service to our country. There are military, police and firefighters on the boards. It is a somber reminder that freedom isn’t free but paid in blood. You will also see all types of people walking to honor and remember those sacrifices. Some will run the entire trail; however most will walk. There is a certain excitement in the air, a celebration if you will. Everyone is fresh and ready to make the walk up to the top and back again. Children are running or skipping along with their parents. Groups stop to pose for pictures, everyone is having fun.

Soon that excitement fades, and the reality of just how long 7 miles is sets in. The people with packs can now feel how heavy that burden is on their shoulders. The children are getting tired, sleepy, or bored. Some people are questioning their decision to take on the entire 7 miles and some are looking for an exit plan, many keep walking. Their hearts are heavy, and their feet are hurting but they don’t stop, they won’t stop until they reach their goal. Each goal is different and personal to the individual and each has a different reason as to why they are here.

Usually the crowds begin to thin out after the first lap is completed, and they continue to dwindle as dark sets in. At 0300 there are only a few dozen people still walking the trail. This is my favorite time of the walk. The air is cooler the path is empty and it is mostly quiet. But at 0300 you see the truly committed, the diehards if you will, out on the trail. They will not stop after one 7-mile lap, they will push themselves to walk, 20, 30, or even 40 miles plus. They are committed to walk the entire 20 hours and 19 minutes.

This was my 7th year to participate and every time

I'm on the trail I think about many things. I think about the old veterans, how veterans and police officers can just look at each other and know and relate to each other. I think about the sacrifice of my friends, my brothers and sisters. I think about their families and the pain they must feel. I also think about how a simple idea of having a walk around White Rock Lake to remember the sacrifices of others has turned into a nationwide march across America to remember our heroes.

Over the years of participating in CTL I have met many people. The more time you spend on the trail, the more you start to recognize many familiar faces. As we pass each other up and down the trail, we greet each other with, keep it up, good job, or my personal favorite, get it or get you some! The more you see these faces, you begin to develop a sense of why they are here. Some of them are just doing the walk to prove it to themselves that they can, some just want to participate in a great event. Then there are the people that you can see the pain in their eyes and you just know.

I think back to Clint Bruce's story of the old veteran. The veteran who took one look at Clint and asked him, "Who are you carrying son?" Veterans, cops, firefighters develop that look that we all can identify. You can see that they have been through, or seen some shit. Sometimes we just need to take a walk to work it out and clear our minds. Sometimes we just need to put a pack on our backs and experience a little pain, or maybe we just need to be with people who have been through some similar experiences and can relate to us. This is the time on the trail where the demons are fought and you will see the people with the deepest pain. This is also when you can feel the pain setting in your body and you can't ignore it any longer, but you just drive on. You feel each step, of your now numb feet, hit the pavement and you remember why you are doing this. Even when our feet and backs hurt, we head out to do one more lap to exercise the pain from our souls at zero dark thirty on the trail.

## Who Are You Carrying?





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## DALLAS POLICE ASSOCIATION BENEFICIARY DESIGNATION

**NAME:** \_\_\_\_\_ **BADGE** \_\_\_\_\_

**ADDRESS:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Email:** \_\_\_\_\_

I, \_\_\_\_\_ make the following beneficiary designations as it pertains to the death benefits as described in the Dallas Police Association Constitution, Article III.

### PRIMARY BENEFICIARY (IES):

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I understand the Dallas Police Association will disburse the death benefits as described in the Dallas Police Association Constitution, Article III to the beneficiary (ies) as listed above while I am an active member of the Dallas Police Association as described in the Dallas Police Association Constitution. I further understand I am responsible for submitting a new Beneficiary Designation Form when there is a change in my beneficiary designations.

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| Signature of Member | Date Signed |
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# APPLICATION FOR ASSISTANCE

**Assist the Officer**  
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Date of Application: \_\_\_\_\_

## SPONSOR INFORMATION

|                 |           |          |
|-----------------|-----------|----------|
| Sponsor Name    | Badge #   | Division |
| Contact Phone # | Signature |          |

## RECIPIENT INFORMATION

|                 |         |                 |          |  |
|-----------------|---------|-----------------|----------|--|
| Recipient Name  | Badge # | Contact Phone # |          |  |
| Mailing Address | City    | State           | Zip Code |  |

## DESCRIPTION OF INJURY / ILLNESS

(Describe in detail the nature of the recipients injury or illness.)

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| Was recipient hospitalized? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No                 | If yes, how long? _____  | Days off work? To Date: _____  | Estimated future: _____ |
| Is recipient undergoing any rehabilitation? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No | Has recipient returned to work? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No |  |                         |
|  |  | Light Duty? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No |                         |

## DESCRIPTION OF NEED

(Describe in detail how this situation has affected the recipient and his/her family financially, and describe any unusual or extenuating circumstances which may contribute to his/her need for assistance.)

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| Does recipient's medical insurance cover all costs? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No | Out of pocket expenses to date: \$ _____ Lost income to date: \$ _____ |   |

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| Ed Lujan                | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No | Bill Knobel <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No           |
| Steve Brody             | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No | Kimberly Mayfield <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No     |
| Andy Caceres            | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No | Date submitted to Board for review _____                                       |

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## Business



### DALLAS POLICE ASSOCIATION FRATERNAL ORDER OF POLICE LODGE 716 MINUTES, BOARD OF DIRECTORS

#### April 2019

The Board of Directors, Dallas Police Association, FOP Lodge 716, met at the offices of the Dallas Police Association (referred to as "DPA"), 1412 Griffin Street East, Dallas, Texas 75215 on April 9, 2019 at 10:08 a.m.. The meeting was called to order by the President, Michael Mata.

The following proxies were received: Forness to Figueroa; Bowen to Forness; Stolarzyk to Taylor; Taylor to Peeler; and Ayala to Hernandez.

Minutes of the meeting.

- Pease gave the invocation.

- The minutes of the March 25, 2019 Board of Directors meeting was presented to the Board.

- \*\*\*Motion by Hertl seconded by Figueroa to accept the minutes. Motion passes, no opposition.

- Castro discussed the Cops' Cop Program and the need for Board Members to seek out nominations from the membership.

- Mata stated that J.B. Helms has transferred and is no longer able to serve as the Central Director. Mata has appointed Billy Taylor to serve out the unexpired term as the Central Director.

- \*\*\*MOTION\*\*\* by Meno seconded by Gordon to confirm the appointment of Billy Taylor as the Central Director to serve out the unexpired term. Motion passes, no opposition.

- Frazier gave an update on the Texas Legislative Session in Austin, Texas. He discussed the Tax Cap legislation, SB and HB 2, The Educational Bill, and SB782 introduced by Sentor West. Discussion and questions by the Board.

- Mata stated that promotions are expected to occur in the near future for DPD.

- Mata discussed the DPA endorsements for the candidates for Dallas City Council.

- Mata presented information to the Board on the current strength of the Dallas PD. Comparison of 2018 vs 2019 to date. Actual strength of DPD is 2883; 158 of the strength is in training at the Academy. Discussion and questions by the Board.

- Mata discussed the new Murder Warrant Policy at DPD. The policy requires that all murder warrants be approved by a lieutenant or above. Discussion and questions.

- Mata discussed the revamping of the Citizen's Review Board and the number of complaints handled by IAD in 2018. Discussion by the Board.

- Andujar discussed training being offered by TMPA on 10-11 April 2019.

The Board Meeting was adjourned at 11:09 a.m., April 9, 2019.

The minutes of the Dallas Police Association were duly recorded on April 9, 2019.

Original Signed

E. J. Brown

Recording Secretary

#### May 2019

The Board of Directors, Dallas Police Association, FOP Lodge 716, met at the offices of the Dallas Police Association (referred to as "DPA"), 1412 Griffin Street East, Dallas, Texas 75215 on May 7, 2019 at 11:06 a.m.. The meeting was called to order by the President, Michael Mata.

The following proxies were received: Taylor to Herrera; Belew to Andujar; Stolarzyk to Andujar; Meno to Herrera; Elliott to Hernandez; Gordon to Winkler.

Minutes of the meeting.

- Peeler gave the invocation.

- The minutes of the April 9, 2019 Board of Director's Meeting was presented to the board.

- \*\*\*MOTION\*\*\* by Winkler seconded by Peeler to accept the minutes as presented. Motion passes, no opposition.

- Mata gave a presentation to the Board on the Police Oversight Board, formally the Dallas Citizen's Review Board. Handout provided the board members. Discussion and questions by the board.

- Mata discussed promotions and the impact of promotions on the DPD budget. Discussion and questions by the board.

- Mata discussed the BWC Survey and encouraged member participation.

- Mata stated nominees are needed for the Pension Board. The nominees must be qualified. Discussion by the Board.

- Mata discussed police recruiting and stressed the need to reach the recruiting goal despite the negativity. Discussion and questions by the board.

- Mata stated the Meet and Confer process is working and the details cannot be discussed with the board.

- Mata discussed the endorsement of Council Member Scott Griggs for Dallas Mayor. In addition he gave updates on runoff elections for council member candidates. Discussion by the Board.

- The following events are scheduled:

- a. Police Memorial - Dallas City Hall, Wednesday, May 8

- b. Carry the Load, May 26 and 27

- c. Bags for Badges, July 27 and 28

- d. ATO Golf Tournament, September 20

The Board Meeting was adjourned at 12:20 p.m., May 7, 2019.

The minutes of the Dallas Police Association were duly recorded on May 7, 2019.

Original Signed

Jennifer Brown

Recording Secretary

### June 2019

The Board of Directors, Dallas Police Association, FOP Lodge 716, met at the offices of the Dallas Police Association (referred to as "DPA"), 1412 Griffin Street East, Dallas, Texas 75215 on June 11, 2019 at 11:06 a.m. The meeting was called to order by the President, Michael Mata.

The following proxies were received: Meno To Hernandez; J. Bowen to H. Bowen; Stolarzyk to Andujar; Ayala to Gordon; Taylor to Gordon; Myers to Castro.

Minutes of the meeting.

- Pease gave the invocation.

- Mata asked for a moment of silence to remember fallen Grand Prairie officer killed in the line of duty.

- The minutes of the May 7, 2019 Board of Director's Meeting were presented to the board.

\*\*\*MOTION\*\*\* by H. Bowen seconded by Winkler to accept the minutes as presented. Motion passes, no opposition.

- Castro presented the June 2019 Cops' Cop Award to Austin Thomason.

- Mata discussed promotions in the DPD and how they are being impacted by budgetary issues. Discussion by the board.

- Mata discussed the Summertime Crime Plan (Initiative). Basically focusing what have been

described as crime hot spots. Discussion and questions by the board.

- Frazier gave an update on PAC activities and discussed the new Dallas City Council composed of the following: District 1 - Chad West; District 2 - Adam Medrano; District 3 - Casey Thomas; District 4 - Carolyn Arnold; District 5 - Jaime Resendez; District 6- Omar Narvarez; District 7 - Adam Bazaldua; District 8 - Tennell Atkins; District 9 - Paula Blackmon; District 10 - Adam McGough; District 11 - Lee Kleiman; District 12 - Cara Mendelson; District 13 - Jennifer Gates; District 14 - David Blewett; and District 15 - Eric Johnson. Discussion and questions by the Board.

- Mata gave an update on DPD strength: 3007 is the actual strength which includes recruits at the police academy. Retirements: 2018 vs 2019 DPD = 180 vs 47; DFD 73 vs 31.

- Mata discussed the Plain View Project (PVP) Advised the membership who utilize social media sites to scrub these sites to insure they do not contain information or material which is in violation of DPD policies, is rude, unprofessional, prejudicial, or disrespectful. Discussion and questions by the board.

- Mata gave an update on the complaints received by the Internal Affairs Division (IAD). Most common complaint received is the officer being unprofessional or discourteous. Discussion.

- Mata stated he was advised by Bob Gorsky that the pay lawsuit has been funded. The agency handling the disbursement of these funds is working on resolving issues involving heirs and incomplete or inaccurate information submitted by those who are part of the class action. The checks will be disbursed in the next 3 to 4 months.

- Mata stated the Meet and Confer process is going well, but cannot be discussed with the board.

- Upcoming events: Bags for Badges - July 27 & 28; Summer Bash - August 17; ATO Golf - September 20; and volunteers will be needed for the Crimes against Children Conference (CACC) on August 13.

The Board Meeting was adjourned at 12:10 p.m., June 11, 2019.

The minutes of the Dallas Police Association were duly recorded on June 11, 2019.

Original Signed

E. J. Brown

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