

# CPAAA NEWS - SEPTEMBER 2021



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## BRING AND WEAR A MASK AT OUR MEETINGS

The **ANNUAL CHRISTMAS POTLUCK FUNDRAISER** will be on December 2, 2021, at Headquarters on MLK at 6 PM. Exciting details in this issue.

**THANK YOU** for another successful June Match Fundraiser. Our goal of \$1000.00 was met and with the donor's \$1000.00 our 6-year grand total raised is \$12,525.00. Way to go!

Our next field trip is to be announced and sign ups begin at the September meeting.

Great Strides – 2 major goals I set for the CPAAA was 1. Get our Website up and running with a whole new look – it is now live. [lvcpaaa.com](http://lvcpaaa.com) ENJOY!! 2. Produce our first ever CPAAA Video to help promote the Alumni Association - in final editing.

See pictures in this issue of our latest purchase for the Academy Training.

Interested in running for the Board of Directors? Each January seats are up for election. An application is in this issue.

Know someone who goes above and beyond to better lives for CPAAA as well as other community organizations? Nominate them for the Dick Bennett Memorial Service Award. An application is in this issue.

**WE ARE: #VegasStrong #AmazingTogether**

**WE ARE STILL IN NEED OF 4 MORE LARGE BASKETS TO FILL FOR RAFFLE GIFTS  
PLEASE BRING THEM TO THE SEPTEMBER MEETING**



CITIZENS' POLICE ACADEMY ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

# Win The Helicopter Ride

Win An Exciting Ride In Metro's Helicopter

CPAAA



# Ticket

Metro

# For One Helicopter Ride

# \$50



A ticket for 1, for a chance at a ride with METRO's fantastic helicopter crew. **\$50** buys your chance at this POLICE HELICOPTER tour of Las Vegas! The winner will be awarded the ride at the annual Christmas Holiday Potluck Auction & Raffle fundraiser on **DECEMBER 2, 2021** **MUST BE A CPAAA MEMBER IN GOOD STANDING.** Buy your raffle tickets now in anticipation of this prize. Buy as many tickets as you want.

**FOR THIS POPULAR RAFFLE ITEM:**

**YOU MAY ALSO CONTACT CPAAA Donna Klein [joeyklein@aol.com](mailto:joeyklein@aol.com)**

**GUEST SPEAKERS SHARE THEIR LVMPD AND COMMUNITY WORK**

**June 17, 2021**

**Shakala Alvaranga – Mob Museum Director of Public Programs**



**Sharing the history of how the Mob Museum located downtown was created, Shakala gave us a power point tour of all that we can experience during a visit.**

**July 15, 2021**

**Detective Angie Santos of Cold Case and Missing Persons**



Detective Santos gave us an overview on how Missing Persons and Cold Cases are pursued by LVMPD. She included the Red Rock Search and Rescue cooperation when seeking information in the mountains and desert terrain. We learned about some of the most well publicized cases that Metro has dealt with and are still ongoing.



**August 19, 2021**

Our guest speaker was an FBI agent who requested no photos be taken or name used. He spent the evening with a chance for us to work as groups with a given scenario of a 2019 case from northern NV. We were tasked to develop a suspect profile and then together relate our hypothesis as he does in his assignments. We were not to solve the case; but try to establish the best possible "profile". We then heard the actual results via the news media and his findings. It was informative and those with "spot on" ideas were proud of their work.

**DUE TO THE NATURE OF THE SUBJECT MATTER OF SOME OF THE GUEST PRESENTATIONS; IT IS THE CPA REQUIREMENT THAT ALL WHO APPLY MUST BE 18 YEARS OF AGE. WE FOLLOW THAT GUIDELINE AND ASK THAT GUESTS YOU INVITE TO CPAAA MEETINGS ARE 18 YEARS OR OLDER.**

## UPCOMING GUEST SPEAKERS

**SEPTEMBER 16<sup>th</sup> – HOMELAND SECURITY**

**OCTOBER 21<sup>st</sup> – DIGITAL INVESTIGATIONS BUREAU**

OUR PICTURES FROM THE FEDERAL BUILDING TOUR WITH US MARSHAL GARY SCHOFIELD DIDN'T TURN OUT SO WE GATHERED TOGETHER EVERYONE WE COULD TO SHOW HOW MUCH WE ENJOYED THAT JUNE 11, 2021 EVENING NOTICE THE SMILING FACES BEHIND THE CRIME SCENE TAPE



**OUR FIRST FIELD TRIP SINCE RETURNING FROM COVID 19 WAS THE FIRST GROUP INVITED TO TOUR THE LLOYD D. GEORGE US COURT HOUSE**

**CHECK OUT OUR FACEBOOK PAGE**

**PUT THIS IN YOUR FB SEARCH:**

**LAS VEGAS CITIZENS POLICE ACADEMY ALUMNI ASSOCIATION**

**GET THE LATEST INFORMATION & PHOTOS**



**LIMITED EDITION LAPEL PIN \$6.00**

**THIN BLUE LINE & AMERICAN FLAG**

**Only have 15 left - don't miss out**

**REMEMBER THE FALLEN**



**PATCHES  
STILL  
AVAILABLE**

**\$10**

**REMEMBER 1 OCTOBER  
AVAILABLE AT THE  
CPAAA STORE**

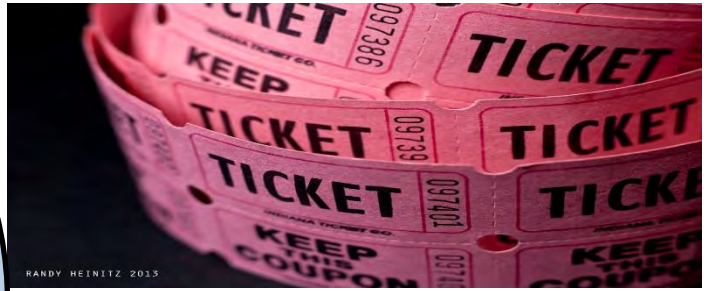
**WE COLLECT USED CELL  
PHONES & CHARGERS FOR**

**LVMPD**

**VICTIMS SERVICES**

**BRING THEM TO A MEETING**

**DON'T FORGET TO  
BUY YOUR RAFFLE  
TICKETS AT OUR  
MEETINGS FOR THE  
50/50 DRAWING  
YOU COULD BE THE  
WINNER!!!**



IT IS WITH GREAT SADNESS THAT WE ANNOUNCE THE PASSING OF  
BOB PENTON CLASS 3-2000

HE WAS A LONG TIME BOARD MEMBER AND NEWSLETTER EDITOR FOR  
SEVERAL YEARS. BOB SERVED WITH GREAT PRIDE AND DIGNITY.

A "CELEBRATION OF LIFE" RECEPTION

Will be scheduled



## PLANNED FOR 2022

### FIELD TRIPS:

Don't miss out on these exciting opportunities.....

**DUE TO HEALTH CONCERNS - SCHEDULES ARE TBA**

**NV NATIONAL SECURITY SITE "AREA 51" - Be added on the Interest list.**

**CORONER'S OFFICE**

**FBI**

**SWAT**

**NELLIS AF BASE**

Email **MONICA CASILLAS** @ [monicacasillas55@gmail.com](mailto:monicacasillas55@gmail.com)

### OUR 2021 MEETING SCHEDULE HELD AT ACADEMY:

September--16    October--21    November—18

### **SAVE THE DATE - ANNUAL CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY FUNDRAISER/POTLUCK/AUCTION EVENT**



**THURSDAY DECEMBER 2, 2021 6:00 PM AT  
HEADQUARTERS ON MLK BLVD**

**STILL NEEDED:** New items to be used in the \$1 and \$5 raffles; special items for our auctioneer to feature from donors and businesses.

**CONTACT ANY BOARD MEMBER FOR MORE INFORMATION**

**CHANGE  
THE FUTURE  
TOGETHER**



**BRING YOUR SPARE CHANGE TO OUR MEETINGS  
DROP IT IN OUR COLLECTION JAR. All Proceeds Will Be  
Donated to THE EXPLORER PROGRAM in Appreciation for their  
continuous help each FUNRAISER POTLUCK PARTY**

**OUR LATEST PURCHASE FOR TRAINING:**



THESE KETTLE BELLS AND BARS ARE USED FOR STRENGTH TRAINING.

**Lt. Pence and Officer McClish thank the CPAAA for once again  
providing the needed equipment as requested.**



## **5th ANNUAL**

# **Dick Bennett Memorial Community Service Award**

The Dick Bennett Memorial Community Service Award is awarded annually to the Las Vegas Metro Police Department Citizens' Police Academy Alumni Association (CPAAA) member who demonstrates the quality and character exemplified by Dick Bennett in community service to the City of Las Vegas and Clark County.

Dick Bennett, who passed away on 6 June 2017, served with distinction as the President of the CPAAA from March 2002 – June 2017. During his tenure, the CPAAA saw its membership increase as well as the money raised to support various police department initiatives.

Dick also worked to raise the awareness of various divisions within the LVMPD to CPAAA membership. The CPAAA has organized trips to prisons, the coroner's office as well as other civic organizations. In addition to the time he devoted to the CPAAA, Dick also served as a LVMPD Volunteer and "leading by example," he volunteered over 22,000 hours of public service to the Police Department.

Each year, the Board of Directors will identify one CPAAA member as the recipient of the Dick Bennett Memorial Community Service Award from the applications submitted. This individual is someone who is not currently serving on the CPAAA Board of Directors; not only an active member of the CPAAA, but also works in the community as a volunteer through the Metro Volunteer Program or other community service organization, which supports the citizens of Las Vegas and the surrounding Clark County. Members in good standing of the CPAAA are encouraged to nominate someone they feel is deserving of the award and applications will be submitted by the end of the current year.

The Dick Bennett Memorial Community Service Award will occur annually at the CPAAA February monthly meeting. The award winner will receive an inscribed plaque presented by the Sheriff commending that individual for his or her service to the LVMPD and the greater Las Vegas community.

**SEE NEXT PAGE FOR APPLICATION**



# DICK BENNETT Memorial Community Service Award Nomination Form

The Dick Bennett Memorial Community Service Award is awarded annually to the Las Vegas Metro Police Department Citizens' Police Academy Alumni Association (CPAAA) member who demonstrates the quality and character exemplified by Dick Bennett in community service to the City of Las Vegas and Clark County.

The recipient will be someone who is not only an active member of the CPAAA, but also works in the community as a volunteer through the Metro Volunteer Program or other community service organization, which supports the citizens of Las Vegas and the surrounding Clark County.

If you would like to nominate a fellow CPAAA member for the award, please fill out the information below and return it by December 31, 2021 c/o **Gerrie Holmes at 9880 West Cheyenne Ave. Las Vegas, NV 89129 or via e-mail at GHolmes@LVMPD.com**. The board of the CPAAA will review the nominations and determine the winner of the award, which will then be presented at the February 2022 meeting.

Nominated Member:

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Submitted by:

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Description of Qualifications of Nominated Individual: \_\_\_\_\_

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**YOU MAY ADD ADDITIONAL PAGES IF NEEDED**

**Here is what to bring for the  
Potluck:**

Last name begins with:

**A – M** APPETIZERS,  
VEGETABLES, SALADS,  
CASSEROLES

**N – Z** MAIN DISH

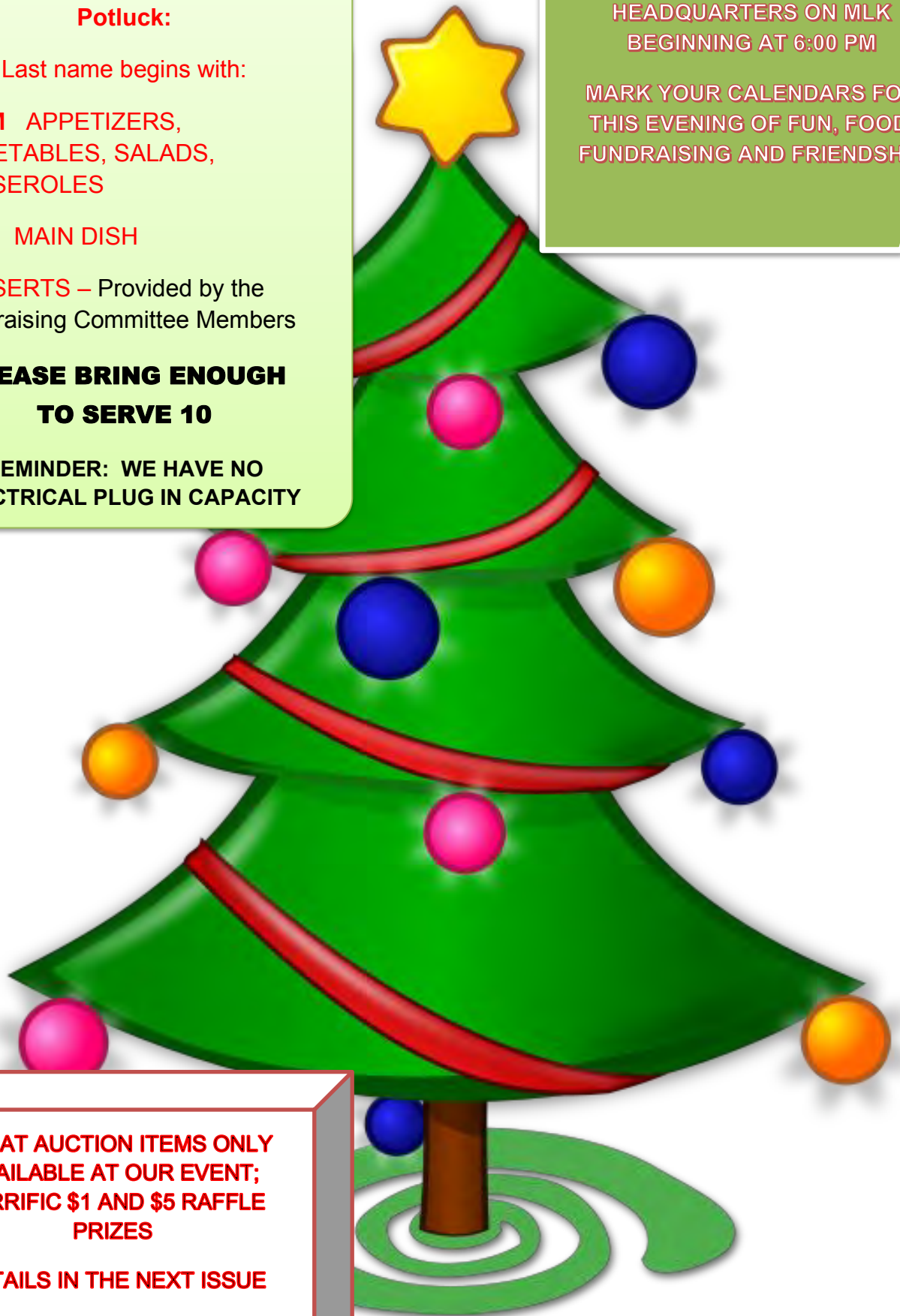
**DESSERTS** – Provided by the  
Fundraising Committee Members

**PLEASE BRING ENOUGH  
TO SERVE 10**

**REMINDER: WE HAVE NO  
ELECTRICAL PLUG IN CAPACITY**

OUR 2021 CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY  
FUNDRAISER/POTLUCK IS ON  
DECEMBER 2<sup>ND</sup> AT  
HEADQUARTERS ON MLK  
BEGINNING AT 6:00 PM

MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR  
THIS EVENING OF FUN, FOOD,  
FUNDRAISING AND FRIENDSHIP



**GREAT AUCTION ITEMS ONLY  
AVAILABLE AT OUR EVENT;  
TERRIFIC \$1 AND \$5 RAFFLE  
PRIZES**

**DETAILS IN THE NEXT ISSUE**

**CONSIDER SERVING ON THE  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

LAS VEGAS METROPOLITAN POLICE DEPARTMENT'S  
CITIZENS' POLICE ACADEMY ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

BOARD APPLICATION

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_ CELL NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_

E-MAIL ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

CPA GRADUATING CLASS \_\_\_\_\_

I WOULD LIKE TO PLACE MY NAME IN NOMINATION FOR ELECTION TO  
THE CPAAA BOARD BECAUSE: \_\_\_\_\_

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\_\_\_\_\_

SUGGESTIONS I HAVE FOR IMPROVING THE ASSOCIATION: \_\_\_\_\_

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SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_ DATE \_\_\_\_\_

Applications must be received by Gerrie Holmes, CPAAA, @ 9880 W.  
Cheyenne Ave., Las Vegas NV 89129 no later than December 31, 2021.



## GOOD AND WELFARE

DO YOU KNOW OF A MEMBER WHO IS ILL OR HAD SURGERY?

MAYBE A CARD WOULD CHEER THEM UP.

THE CPAAA WOULD LIKE TO KNOW.



CONTACT VP MIKE WARD at [verlanmike@aol.com](mailto:verlanmike@aol.com)

# #Vegas Strong



## Citizens' Police Academy Alumni Association

### WHERE ARE THEY NOW????



These 2 Captains were once CPAAA Advisors.

Pictured on the left –

**Traffic Bureau Capt. Dan Bledsoe**

Pictured on the right –

**SEAC Capt. Reggie Rader**



# CPAAA Store Price List

Polo Shirts (All Sizes): Men's \$20 Ladies \$23

Sweatshirts (All Sizes): \$25.00

T-Shirts - CPAAA (All Sizes) – \$15.00

T-Shirts – SWAT: L~XL: \$12.00 2X~3X: \$17.00

Ball Caps – CPAAA / Swat: \$15.00

Pins - CPAAA: Lg: \$11.00 Sm: \$5.00

Pins - Blue Line Flag: \$6.00 Tote Bag: \$16.00

Drinkware: Revolver Mug: \$15.00 Coffee Cup: \$5.00 Insulated Mug: \$7.00

CPAAA Lanyard: \$4.00 Coaster: \$5.00 Patches: \$10.00

Key Chain: \$5.00 Mouse Pad: \$4.00 Logo Decal: \$1.00

Christmas Ornaments: Bling Pewter Bell \$8.00 Green Christmas Bulb \$6.00

**NEW ITEMS: Tank Tops \$10.00 Silk Screen T-Shirts \$12.00**

**Limited number of Polo Shirts \$15.00**

**CHECK OUT ALL  
THE ITEMS IN  
OUR STORE  
  
OPEN EACH  
MEETING FROM  
  
6:30 - 7:15 PM**

**CPAAA ACCEPTS PAYMENTS BY VISA, MASTERCARD AND DISCOVER  
FOR CPAAA STORE PURCHASES**

**PLEASE MAKE CHECKS OUT TO:**

**CPAAA**