

# CPAAA NEWS – FEBRUARY 2022



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BRING AND WEAR A MASK AT OUR MEETINGS

## HAPPY NEW YEAR

The **ANNUAL CHRISTMAS POTLUCK FUNDRAISER** on **December 2, 2021**, at Headquarters was the best ever. Exciting details in this issue.

**\*\*\*All winning bidders who received certificates will be contacted by a Board member assigned to that event to schedule a date based on availability of the LVMPD personnel involved.**

**Next field trip on Feb 24<sup>th</sup> 5-7 PM. - FUSION CENTER.** Contact Monica Casillas – limited to 20.

Our first ever CPAAA Video to help promote the Alumni Association - in final editing.

See article in this issue of our member Kristi Repp; recognized during Best of the Badge Gala.

Meet our **NEW CAPTAIN** – Reggie Rader. Read about him in this issue.

Congratulations to our Board Members elected in January – Donna Klein and Miriam Gutierrez. Thanks for stepping up to serve. Meet New Board Member Miriam in our next newsletter.

Many years of dedicated service to the BOD by VP Mike Ward is so noted as he concludes his service. He will continue to participate as an active member.

Our 5<sup>th</sup> recipient of the Dick Bennett Memorial Service Award is **BOB PENTON**.

I will present the annual “State of the Association” address at our February meeting.

**WE ARE: #VegasStrong #AmazingTogether**

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

**November 18, 2021**

**LVMPD Foundation Director of Development – JASON WILLIAMS**



MR. WILLIAMS SHARED HIS WORK WITH THE LVMPD FOUNDATION which supports LVMPD units, crime-fighting efforts, and more than 100 community activities, programs, and initiatives. Funding to the LVMPD Foundation is also used to facilitate specialized training and equipment, along with year-round community safety events and anti-crime activities.

**January 20, 2022**

**Forensic Lab Overview – Leah Groveman, MFS, Forensic Scientist II – DNA Detail**



Leah gave us a look into how her work with DNA has proven very valuable for the solve rate which also includes Cold Cases. She shared how her job is really done as compared to what we watch on TV shows.

Her extensive education and experience brought her from Washington DC to Las Vegas in 2016.

She was dynamic, personable and we truly enjoyed her visit.

**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.**

**FEBRUARY 17<sup>th</sup> – Sheriff Joseph Lombardo**

To present the Dick Bennett Award and share all things LVMPD

**MARCH 17<sup>th</sup> – Kristi Repp** Health and Safety Detail,

CSP LVMPD Safety Coordinator (EOHS) Safety Detail,

Risk Management Section

**JUNE 16<sup>th</sup> – Beth Fisher** Former TV News Anchor

LVMPD Community Relations & Information



**LIMITED EDITION LAPEL PIN \$6.00**

**THIN BLUE LINE & AMERICAN FLAG**

**Only a few left - don't miss out**

**REMEMBER THE FALLEN**



**PATCHES  
STILL  
AVAILABLE**

**\$10**

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

**WE CONTINUE TO COLLECT YOUR OLD CELL PHONES AND CHARGERS  
THEY ARE CLEANED AND PROGRAMMED TO DIAL IN CASE OF EMERGENCY.  
GIVEN TO THE LVMPD DOMESTIC VIOLENCE BUREAU  
THANKS FOR HELPING**

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



**SPECIAL MINI AUCTION AT THE FEBRUARY 17<sup>TH</sup> MEETING**

**WE HAD 3 DINING CERTIFICATES DONATED TOO LATE FOR  
DECEMBER 2, 2021.**

**SHERIFF LOMBARDO WILL AUCTION THEM OFF.**

- 1. TONY ROMA'S PLACE FOR RIBS AT THE FREMONT**
- 2. REDWOOD STEAKHOUSE AT THE CALIFORNIA**
- 3. TRIPLE 7 BREWERY AT MAIN STREET**

**THESE ARE ALL DINNER FOR TWO**

**THEY ARE GOOD THROUGH AUGUST 17, 2022**

## KUDOS TO ONE OF OUR CPAAA MEMBERS - KRISTI REPP CLASS 1-2011



It was a pleasant surprise to be recognized by the LVMPD Foundation at their Best of the Badge Gala. I'm not sure if they have recognized civilian members of the department at the Best of the Badge (hence "Badge") before, so it was refreshing to have people recognize all the hard work that our team has been doing because of the pandemic to help the department accomplish its mission.

**Why Safety Squirrel? Because I am always running around trying to address a myriad of tasks that I address, anything from reviewing new chemicals and decontamination processes, verifying personal protective equipment (PPE), addressing exposures to hazardous or infectious conditions, trauma kits, ergonomics, and anything else regarding occupational and environmental safety and infection control. When at work, I probably resemble a squirrel running all over a yard trying to check on all the nuts they have hidden for winter.**

**Not only did we receive the "Unit Exemplary Service" medal, a special COVID-19 Service medal was created just for this event.**

Prior to the gala we met at Allegiant stadium for our photos. During this photo shoot, they had us record our name and title a few times to go with our photo, I provided mine "Kristi Repp, Safety Coordinator" a few times and on the last recording said "Kristi Repp, Safety Squirrel" since that is how I am affectionately known as. During the Gala they showed the pictures of everyone on the team on the big screen, with the recording of our name and position. You could imagine our surprise and delight, when my picture was up on the large screen, and the name/position recording they used was "Safety Squirrel," wonderful

**Proud to be a member of the CPAAA! WE ARE PROUD OF YOU TOO!**

**THANK YOU MIKE WARD CLASS 1-2000  
FOR YOUR DEDICATED SERVICE TO THE  
CPAAA BOARD OF DIRECTORS THESE PAST  
15 YEARS**



**MIKE HAS GIVEN HIS TIME AND  
EXPERTISE TO GROW THE CPAAA.  
HE HAS SERVED AS YOUR VP, GOOD  
AND WELFARE, WEBSITE,  
FUNDRAISING AND EVERYTHING EVER  
ASKED OF HIM.**

**HE IS A PHOTOGRAPHER  
EXTRODINAIRE.**

**WE ARE APPRECIATIVE OF YOUR  
CONTRIBUTION.**

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR SERVICE.**

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

**SERVING**

**FROM MAY 17, 2007 TO JANUARY 20, 2022**





**THANK YOU**

**CAPTAIN HECTOR CINTRON  
FOR YOUR MORE THAN 2  
YEARS AS OUR CPAAA  
CAPTAIN.**

**YOUR SUPPORT FOR OUR  
MISSION HAS BEEN GREATLY  
APPRECIATED.**

**THANK YOU TOO FOR HELPING  
TO FACILITATE THE START OF  
HCPA BILINGUAL GRADUATES  
BECOMING ALUMNI MEMBERS  
SO THAT TOGETHER WE ARE  
STRONGER AND BETTER.**

**CONGRATULATIONS ON  
BECOMING CAPTAIN OF DTAC**



**BOARD MEMBERS:**

**CHARITY KOSHNIK**

**COOKIE PENTON**

**LAURIE BUCHMAN**

**GERRIE HOLMES**

**TAKE A FEW MINUTES  
BETWEEN SET UP AND  
OPENING THE DOORS TO  
WELCOME OUR GUESTS TO  
THE DECEMBER 2, 2021**

**CHRISTMAS POTLUCK  
FUNDRAISER**



DICK BENNETT MEMORIAL  
COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARD

RECIPIENT FOR 2021

BOB PENTON



Photo Taken April 15, 2018

**SHERIFF LOMBARDO WILL  
PRESENT THIS AWARD TO  
BOB'S WIFE COOKIE**

**ON**

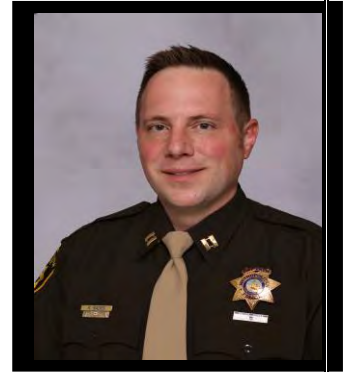
**FEBRUARY 17<sup>TH</sup> AT OUR  
MEETING**

**CONGRATULATIONS FOR  
ALL YOU HAVE DONE FOR  
THE CPAAA**



## Meet Captain Reggie Rader

Captain Reggie Rader has served his community for more than 20 years with the Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department. He began his journey in 1998 and has risen through the ranks in assignments at the officer, sergeant and lieutenant ranks.



Captain Rader gained invaluable experience while serving several stretches in the Gang Unit Bureau. As a lieutenant in the Organizational Development Bureau, he oversaw training for the department and continued LVMPD's tradition of transparency, accountability and empowerment.

In 2019, Reggie attended the FBI National Academy and is a proud graduate of class 278. Upon his return from Quantico, he was promoted to the rank of captain where he served a brief stint as the commander of the Emergency Operations Bureau.

Captain Rader proudly served as the Bureau Commander for Southeast Area Command. As the Southeast Area Command captain, he led the men and women who worked the busiest area in the Las Vegas Valley. Due to the community partnerships and ownership that existed between his officers and citizens, historic reductions in violent crime occurred in the area.

Currently, Captain Rader is the Organizational Development Bureau Captain, overseeing the Academy, Field Training Program, Firearms Training and Tactics Unit, Advanced Officer Skills Training, Reality Based Training, Emergency Vehicle Operations, Multi-Assault Counter Terrorism Action Capabilities Section, and In-Service training.

Reggie is a native Nevadan and proud Green Valley Gator graduate. During his career he has volunteered numerous hours to the Honor Guard, even rising to the ranks of Honor Guard Commander. This was his way to honor and pay tribute to our fallen heroes. He currently coaches youth basketball and enjoys spending quality time with his wonderful wife and delightful children.

## PLANNED FOR 2022

### FIELD TRIPS:

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

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

**FUSION CENTER CORONER'S OFFICE FBI SWAT NELLIS AF BASE**

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

### OUR 2022 MEETING SCHEDULE HELD AT ACADEMY:

February 17 – March 17 – April 21 – *No Meeting in May* – June 16 –  
July 21- August 18 – September 15 – October 20 – November 17

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



**THURSDAY DECEMBER 1, 2022 6:00 PM AT  
HEADQUARTERS ON MLK BLVD**

**CHANGE  
THE FUTURE  
TOGETHER**



**BRING YOUR SPARE CHANGE TO OUR MEETINGS**

**DROP IT IN OUR COLLECTION JAR. Proceeds Will Be Donated  
to THE EXPLORER PROGRAM in Appreciation for their  
continuous help each FUNRAISER POTLUCK PARTY**



**LAST CALL TO PAY YOUR 2022 MEMBERSHIP**

**A RENEWAL NOTICE WAS BEEN MAILED TO EACH  
2021 MEMBER WITH ALL INFORMATION FOR  
SENDING IT BY MAIL**

**YOU MAY ALSO PAY AT THE FEBRUARY MEETING  
\$25.00 CASH OR MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO:**

**CPAAA**

# **CITIZENS POLICE ACADEMY ALUMNI ASSOCIATION PUTS ON BEST EVER CHRISTMAS POTLUCK FUNDRAISER.**

Thursday December 2, 2021 was an evening of fun, food, photos, festive and fundraising like never before.

Donna Klein, CPAAA Treasurer and Chairperson of this event reported a new high mark in fundraising. She said, "We have raised more money and are thrilled at the response of our CPAAA and MVP guests who gave us the huge potluck buffet, buying of raffle tickets and bid on items to reach a gross take of over \$10,000. The auction portion alone brought in more money this year than any other total take to date. Everyone paid that evening and LVMPD will benefit by their generosity."

With expenses deducted, our net profit is \$ 9400.00. These funds are used primarily for training requests received from departments, bureaus and area commands to supplement needed equipment outside of their budget. This training and preparation are critical as we have come to know when 1 October and other events occur.

This year the committee continued to try some innovative ideas. We took reservations so that enough tables were prepared. We invited the MVPs to join us and welcomed our newest CPAAA members from the HCPA classes for the first time. This made for a terrific turnout even during Covid. Our auctioneer was outstanding and generated some fierce bidding and a great many exciting moments. Photos are available on the MVP Facebook page along with our CPAAA Facebook and Website.

President Laurie Buchman is proud and humbled by this outpouring. Her thanks go to many who provided the auction items and donated goods and services. "There is no finer feeling than what the CPAAA worked all year for; (in fact 2 years) and came away with a record setting evening to remember." Sheriff Lombardo gave us SWAT and a ride with Air Support. Under Sheriff Darcy, Assistant Sheriff Walsh, Assistant Sheriff Chavez, Captain Cintron, US Marshal Schofield all gave us "a lunch with". EVOC, Virtual Reality, Reality Based Training, A Day at the Range also gave us events to bid on. Let's not forget the efforts of Lt. Henricksen and Officer Diaz in helping to facilitate these LVMPD experiences. The Foley family gave us superior VGK tickets and a signed jersey. RC Willey gave a 65" flat screen TV. When you have these along with more than 100 raffle items, it brings us all together for a common purpose.



Look in future newsletters for upcoming pictures as the high bidders participate in their respective events.

The Fundraising Committee is planning for the first Thursday in December

December 1, 2022. Save the date.





# 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**

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

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

**PLEASE MAKE CHECKS OUT  
TO: CPAAA**