

# CPAAA NEWS -AUGUST 2023



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CPA class 2-2023 graduated and we welcome 10 new alumni. Class 3-2023 begins August 31. HCPA class 2-2023 begins August 16th.

The June/July Match Fundraiser was again a success. We raised \$1100.00. With our \$1000.00 donor match the new grand total is \$16,651 in 8 years. THANK YOU FOR HELPING.

July 1 LVMPD turned 50 years old. Our celebration on July 20<sup>th</sup> was “golden”.

Two more auction lunches have taken place. Pictures in this issue. Our next Christmas Fundraiser on December 7th.

Speaking of Christmas; our committee is already in full out mode collecting items for raffles and auctions. If you have something to contribute; we ask you to bring those to our meetings. We are looking for new; unopened goods as well as gift cards, dining certificates, vouchers and other items to supplement our efforts. Your connection with local businesses that we may feature is especially appreciated. We are a 501c3 non-profit. Contributions are tax deductible when legal. A letter of thanks will be written as requested. Check expiration dates when appropriate. Each contribution is appreciated and adds to the excitement.

It is also time to start thinking about Board of Director elections held in January. If you are interested in running; see the application in this issue.

The annual Dick Bennett Memorial Community Service award application is in this issue. If you know of a member who goes above and beyond in their volunteer work, consider nominating them for this honor.

**WE ARE: #AMAZING TOGETHER #VEGAS STRONG**

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

**JUNE 15, 2023**

**Supervisor Andre Krnjeu – Computer Forensic Lab**

Supervisor Krnjeu gave us an overview of how he has been updating the Computer Forensic Lab over the past few years to reach out and facilitate more information. He also shared an information sheet for personal computer safety for all citizens.



**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.**

**July 20, 2023**

**Jolie Brislin - ADL Nevada Regional Director;**  
**Stefanie Tuzman - President & CEO of Jewish Federation/Jewish Nevada;**  
**Beth LaManna - Regional Security Advisor, NV - Secure Community Network**



**OFFICER SAM DIAZ WITH OUR SPEAKERS.**

**They each shared valuable information on how their agencies interact with LVMPD by sharing intelligence and serving on the Sheriff's Multi-Cultural Committee to help stem anti-semitism and all hate crimes throughout the state.**

**UPCOMING SPEAKERS:**

**TO BE ANNOUNCED ON FACEBOOK**

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

## **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 JANET DELANEY at [Janetd@lvcoxmail.com](mailto:Janetd@lvcoxmail.com)

**CPAAA has several methods to pay for purchases at the store or when paying your dues:**

**Venmo - @Vegas\_Donna\_Klein60 and**

**Zelle - [Bjovifan1@gmail.com](mailto:Bjovifan1@gmail.com).**

**You may also use a Visa, Mastercard or Discover credit card, check or cash as before.**



# LVMPD IS 50 YEARS OLD



**BOARD  
MEMBERS  
LAURIE,  
MIRIAM,  
JOHANNA,  
JANET, DONNA,  
AND COOKIE SET  
UP THE  
CELEBRATION  
COOKIE TRAYS  
AND BEVERAGES  
FOR THE  
EVENING**

**THANK YOU TO  
THE PASTRY  
CHEF AT THE  
PALMS AND  
PEPSI FOR  
THEIR  
GENEROUS  
DONATIONS TO  
THE CPAAA**



**VIEW THE  
CELEBRATION  
OF 50 YEARS  
VIDEO ON YOUTUBE:**

**LVMPD 50<sup>TH</sup>  
ANNIVERSARY**

**AUCTION WINNERS ENJOYING THEIR EVENTS**

JUNE 22, 2023

**LUNCH WITH SHERIFF KEVIN McMAHILL AT ESTHER'S KITCHEN IN  
DOWNTOWN LAS VEGAS**



SHERIFF McMAHILL, LINDA VISH, LEILANI KIMMEL  
DAGOSTINO, SGT. JORGE MARTY, JOHN WILLIAMS,  
ELLA BREWER, CAPTAIN KURT McKENZIE

“A SPECIAL AFTERNOON,” said Ella and Leilani.

**YOU WILL HAVE A CHANCE TO BID ON THIS LUNCH AT  
OUR 2023 CHRISTMAS FUND-RAISER  
AND YOU WILL ALSO HAVE A CHANCE FOR A LUNCH  
WITH ANOTHER COMMAND STAFF – SEE BELOW**

**LUNCH WITH  
ASSISTANT SHERIFF SASHA LARKIN  
AT CLAIM JUMPER IN  
THE GOLDEN NUGGET  
JULY 18, 2023**



**“WE ENJOYED OUR LUNCH AND BEING  
TOGETHER WITH ASSISTANT SHERIFF  
LARKIN” SAID MIRIAM**

**BARBARA WILLIAMS, JOHN WILLIAMS,**

**MIRIAM GUTIERREZ, ELLA BREWER,**

**AS LARKIN, LEILANI KIMMEL-DAGOSTINO**

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

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

**2023 CPAAA  
CHRISTMAS  
HOLIDAY**

**FUNDRAISER/POTLUCK**

DECEMBER 7<sup>th</sup> AT  
HEADQUARTERS  
ON MLK  
BEGINNING AT 6:00  
PM

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



**RESERVATIONS WILL BE TAKEN IN NOVEMBER**



## **7th 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, 2023 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 2023 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**

3 Board of Director seats will be available in January 2024. Election takes place at the meeting. Consider helping the LVMPD CPAAA by serving a 3-year term. We need you.

# LVMPD CPAAA BOARD OF DIRECTORS 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, 2023.

**THE NOVEMBER NEWSLETTER ISSUE  
WILL CONTAIN A LISTING OF ALL THE  
CHRISTMAS FUND-RAISER AUCTION  
ITEMS AND FINAL INFORMATION FOR  
DECEMBER 7<sup>TH</sup>**

**EVERY NOVEMBER WE SUPPORT HELPING HANDS OF  
NEVADA WITH MEMBERS DONATING CAN GOODS  
AND \$\$\$ TO ASSIST WITH THANKSGIVING BASKETS  
TO FAMILIES IN NEED**

**PLEASE BRING YOUR ITEMS AND \$\$\$ TO OUR  
OCTOBER AND NOVEMBER MEETINGS**

**THANK YOU CPAAA FOR CONTINUING THIS SPECIAL**

**ACT OF KINDNESS**



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



[CHECK OUT OUR FACEBOOK PAGE](#)

PUT THIS IN YOUR FB SEARCH:

**LAS VEGAS CITIZENS POLICE ACADEMY ALUMNI ASSOCIATION**

**GET THE LATEST INFORMATION & PHOTOS**

**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**

**FIELD TRIP  
THE FEDERAL COURT HOUSE  
WITH US MARSHAL GARY SCHOFIELD  
JULY 28, 2023**



**PHOTO BY: OFFICER SAM DIAZ**

**MEMBERS ATTENDING: CYNTHIA VIZZO, KATY AND NATHAN REEDER, JOSHUA WILLIAMS, KAREN NICKELS, QUINCY MYERS (ROBINSON)(not pictured), MIRIAM HICKERSON, LINDA VISH, JANELDA SILVA, ELANE BURLESON, ADRIANA SAENZ AND ARACELI HERNANDEZ.**

## **FUTURE FIELD TRIPS:**

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

**\*FBI \*SWAT \*FORENSICS \*NELLIS AF BASE and more**

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

### **2023 MEETING SCHEDULE - HELD AT ACADEMY:**

August 17    September 21    October 19    November 16

**DECEMBER 7<sup>TH</sup>**

**SAVE THE DATE – 2023 ANNUAL CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY  
FUNDRAISER/POTLUCK/AUCTION EVENT**



## **CHANGE IN PAYING YOUR 2024 DUES**

**WE WILL OFFICIALLY BEGIN COLLECTING DUES IN JANUARY THROUGH MARCH. THOSE WISHING TO PAY EARLIER: PLEASE USE ELECTRONIC OR CHECK. DUES NOTICES WILL BE MAILED THE FIRST WEEK OF JANUARY. YEARLY FEE OF \$25 WILL CONTINUE.**



# 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 / Silk Screen (All Sizes) \$12.00

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

Tank Tops (Silk Screen- All Sizes): 10.00

Ball Caps – CPAAA / Swat: \$15.00

Pins - CPAAA: Lg: \$11.00 / Sm: \$5.00      Blue Line Flag Pin: \$6.00

Earrings: \$10.00 **\*\*\*2023 NEW ITEM\*\*\***

Pendants: \$5.00 **\*\*\*2023 NEW ITEM\*\*\***      Tote Bag: \$16.00

Bottle Opener/Challenge Coin: \$10.00 **\*\*\*2023 NEW ITEM\*\*\***

Drinkware: **\*\*\*2023 NEW ITEMS\*\*\*** Handcuff Mug: \$15.00      Ceramic Mug: \$17.00

CPAAA Lanyard: \$4.00      Coaster: \$5.00

Patches - LVMPD: \$10.00      CPAAA Logo Patch or Car Magnet: \$5.00 **\*\*\*2023 NEW ITEMS\*\*\***

Mouse Pad: \$5.00      Logo Decal: \$1.00      Blue Line Mask: \$8.00

Christmas Ornaments: Blingy Pewter Bell \$8.00 / Green Christmas Bulb \$6.00

STORE IS  
OPEN  
FROM 6:15 –  
7:00 AT  
EACH  
MEETING

**CPAAA ACCEPTS PAYMENTS BY VISA, MASTERCARD AND DISCOVER**

**PLEASE MAKE CHECKS OUT TO: CPAAA**

Venmo: [@Vegas\\_Donna\\_Klein60](#)

Zelle: [Bjovifan1@gmail.com](mailto:Bjovifan1@gmail.com)