

HAPCA Newsletter

Next Monthly Meeting

April 26, 2022



Location:
Crime Stoppers Offices at 11:30 am
3001 Main Street. Houston, Texas

Our guest speaker this month will be conservative radio talk show host and former Houston City Councilor, Mr. Michael Berry. Mr. Berry has been an extremely active member of the Houston Community and an outspoken critic of inefficiencies in government and the criminal justice system. Mr. Berry is a graduate of the University of Houston and he obtained his law degree from the University of Texas School of Law and a M.L. in International Commercial Law from the University of Nottingham.



Mr. Berry was a three-term Houston City-Council Member and was named "Councilman of the Year" by the Houston Police Officers Union.

Mr. Berry hosts two daily radio talk shows along with regular Podcasts. Mr. Berry also been a guest host of the Nationally syndicated Mark Levin Show. Mr. Berry is married and the father of 2 sons.

Please remember to RSVP on-line for the April 26, 2022 meeting in order for us to order the proper amount of food for lunch.

Calendar of Upcoming Training and Events

April 30, 2022—SATURDAY Class

Krav Maga Law Enforcement Instructor
Gus George LE Academy

May 9, 2022 (40 Hr) #1850

Crisis Intervention Training
Gus George LE Academy

May 27, 2022

Canine Encounters #4065
Harris County Constable Precinct 2
1-713-477-2766

June 10, 2022

Stress Management
Harris County Constable Precinct 2
1-713-477-2766

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Meet the Humble Place Police Department

Serving the Community of Humble, Texas with a population of over 14,000 residents. The Humble Police Department has a total of 64 Officers, 22 fulltime support staff and 8 part-time.



Chief Ken Theis

History of Humble , Texas



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The first settlers began moving into the Humble area in the early 1800's. Joseph Dunman was thought to be the first person to settle here and was believed to have arrived in 1828. Pleasant Smith Humble, known as "Plez," arrived to the area just before the Civil War. Pleasant Humble acquired land along the San Jacinto River and he soon began operating a ferry near the area where Highway 59 crosses the river today. Mr. Humble also served as justice of the peace for the area. In 1886, Pleasant Humble opened a post office in his home and the Humble name was adopted.

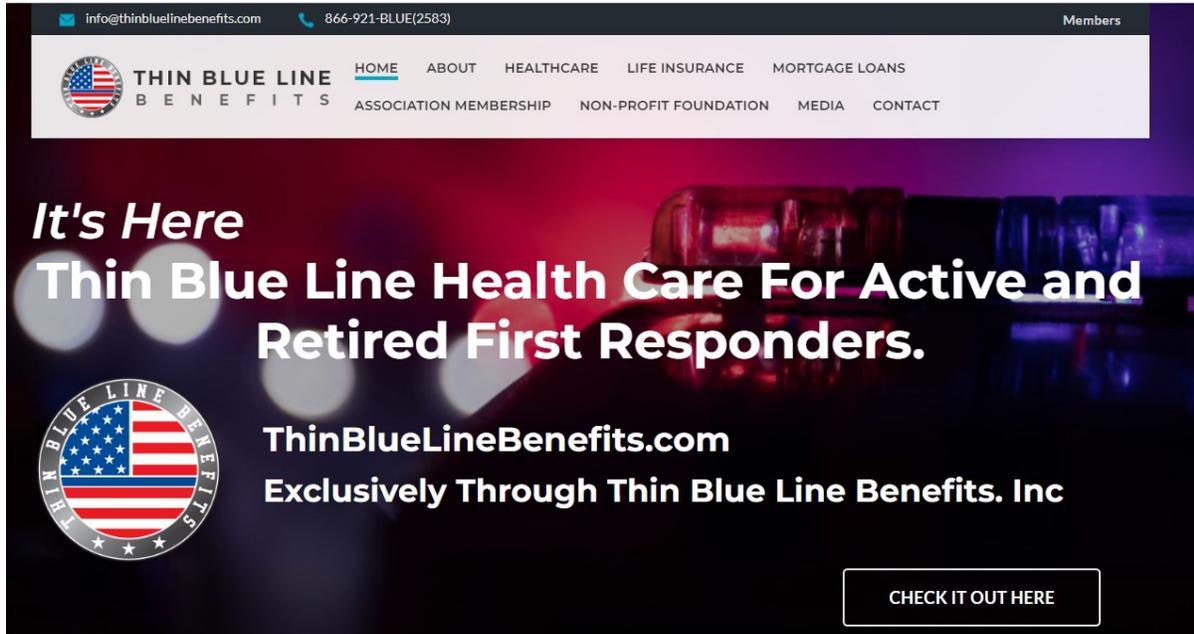
The Humble area soon became a center for commercial activity because of the vast timber in the region. C. O. Bender built a large sawmill and Humble became a cross-roads for transporting lumber. Bender purchased the town site and established a commissary where workers traded tokens for merchandise. The early town had two hotels, two general stores, a church and a school.

Shallow oil production began in 1902 with a big oil gusher occurring in 1904. Humble became a tent city, overflowing with people as well as oil. Oil discoveries continued to mount. By 1905, the Humble oil field was the largest producing field in Texas. The Humble Oil and Refining Company (now Exxon Co. USA) was formed by local entrepreneurs.

As oil production began to decline, many land owners returned to truck farming, dairy farming and lumbering. In 1933, the town of Humble was incorporated. It remained a rather small quiet city until the opening of the Houston Intercontinental Airport in 1969. In addition, many residential areas began to develop outside the City limits such as Atascocita, Kingwood, and Forest Cove. To meet growing consumer needs, Humble became home to some of the finest business and retail facilities in the area and is now considered the commercial, economic and social hub for Northeast Harris County. The City of Humble is home to a state-of-the-art hospital, quality schools, a spacious mall, a civic center and covered civic arena. City services are provided by well-trained and dedicated employees who supply and maintain the infrastructure for the community.

Humble is located in the Northeast quadrant of Harris County and covers approximately 10 square miles. The City has a very diverse population of 14,000 to 15,000 inhabitants. However, with the large number of commercial businesses located in the City, the daytime population of Humble dramatically increases.

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The screenshot shows the Thin Blue Line Benefits website banner. At the top, there is a navigation bar with the email address 'info@thinbluelinebenefits.com', the phone number '866-921-BLUE(2583)', and a 'Members' link. Below this is a main menu with links for 'HOME', 'ABOUT', 'HEALTHCARE', 'LIFE INSURANCE', 'MORTGAGE LOANS', 'ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIP', 'NON-PROFIT FOUNDATION', 'MEDIA', and 'CONTACT'. The main banner features the text 'It's Here Thin Blue Line Health Care For Active and Retired First Responders.' and the website 'ThinBlueLineBenefits.com' exclusively through Thin Blue Line Benefits, Inc. A circular logo with an American flag and the text 'THIN BLUE LINE BENEFITS' is also present. A 'CHECK IT OUT HERE' button is located at the bottom right of the banner.

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HAPCA and Area Agencies in the News



DALLAS — The Texas Task Force on Concert Safety, formed in the wake of the deadly Astroworld Festival in Houston, released a final report Tuesday with recommendations aiming to keep concertgoers safe at shows across the state.

The report comes five months after a performance by rapper Travis Scott at the festival that left 10 people, including a 10-year-old boy, dead and more than 300 injured.

Hundreds of lawsuits have been filed over injuries and deaths at the concert at NRG Park, where fans surged toward the stage, squeezing people so tightly together that they could not breathe nor move their arms.

Officials determined that those killed died from compression asphyxia.

Houston-area police chief to resign after being accused of authorizing nearly \$300K in overtime pay for himself

— The city attorney says discrepancies were found in the chief's overtime pay — pay, that the chief himself, signed off on.

HOUSTON, Texas — The city of [Spring Valley Village](#) and its police chief will soon be parting ways.

This comes after the city attorney said discrepancies were found in the chief's overtime pay — pay, that the chief himself, signed off on.

Pasadena police release dashcam video of deadly officer-involved shooting

The video shows the officers giving the man several commands to drop his gun before shots were fired.

[Pasadena Police Chief Josh Bruegger](#) said officers were responding to a call at about 10:15 a.m. about a man with a handgun at [Spencer Highway and Strawberry Road](#).

According to Bruegger, the armed man was seen walking in the middle of the street. He then turned around and started walking toward a patrol vehicle while allegedly waving a gun in his hand and pointing it at officers. That's when officers started shooting.

One officer reportedly fired from inside the patrol vehicle while another fired after getting out of his patrol car.

The suspect was pronounced dead at the scene. He hasn't been identified. It's unknown if the suspect ever fired at the officers.

"I know there's a lot of videos that are floating out on social media of the shooting already," Bruegger said. "Our plan is to try to get our videos, the car camera and the body camera videos, out by the end of the day."

Under department policy, the two officers involved will be on administrative leave for the next five days. They'll then have to go through a process to get back on duty. Pasadena Police's Internal Affairs Division and the Harris County District Attorney's Office are investigating what led up to the shooting.

Training

Law Enforcement Academy

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Overview

- ✓ The Lone Star College Law Enforcement Academy prepares students for a career as Texas peace officer
- ✓ Full time (day class, 6 months) or part time (evening class, 11 months) programs available. Class offerings listed in Program Details
- ✓ Basic Peace Officer Course consists of academic, physical fitness, and hands-on skills training
- ✓ This program has detailed eligibility and document submission requirements that on average require 2 months to complete



Information Sessions Now Available at Lone Star College-
East Aldine Center, Room 113:

Tuesday, April 19, 10-11:30 a.m.

- ✓ Program offered at:
LSC-East Aldine Center.

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Program Details

The Basic Peace Officer Course provides the skills and competencies that will equip the student for a career as a law enforcement officer. Participants receive classroom instruction designed to prepare each student for the state licensing examination and engage in hands-on training to learn the skills applicable to police work. This course meets Texas Commission on Law Enforcement (TCOLE) requirements for Course #1000696. Students successfully completing the course will be eligible to take the state licensing exam for peace officer. After passing the licensing exam, students are eligible to be employed as a peace officer in Texas.

Eligibility for this program exceeds general college rules for enrollment. Students must be 21 years of age, have a valid driver's license, be a U.S. citizen, and have a high school diploma or GED. Students must also submit to a criminal background check, physical examination, psychological assessment, and drug screening. A more detailed listing of state mandated requirements for peace officer licensing can be found in the [Texas Administrative Code](#), Chapter 217.1

Successful completion of the police academy requires passing the academic, skills training (driving, firearms, defensive tactics, etc.), and physical fitness components of the course.

All prospective students must attend an information session prior to enrolling in the course! The information sessions are typically held two months prior to the start date of the course to allow time for applicant processing and determination of program eligibility.

Class Schedule	Basic Peace Officer I-V
(Full-time) 06/13-12/08/2022	7:30 a.m. - 4:15 p.m. (Monday-Thursday)
(Part-time) 10/03/2022-08/29/2023	5:30 p.m. - 10:00 p.m. (Monday - Thursday)

For questions or additional information, please contact the Law Enforcement Academy at LSC-LEA@LoneStar.edu

Training

Unmasking Facial Expressions



Details	Price	Qty
Admission	\$225.00 (USD)	0 <input type="button" value="v"/>

[Register Now](#)

 June 13, 2022 |  9:00 am - 5:00 pm

About This Course:

The Unmasking Hidden Facial Expressions Course was designed to provide law enforcement with the tools to perform an aspect of policing that is severely lacking: Recognizing different types of facial expressions. Course content is based on scientific research that has been around for decades but unfortunately has been slow in making its way into the law enforcement community.

This course will teach officers how to articulate the elements of the 7 universal emotions in the face and how to recognize them when they occur in micro-facial and subtle facial expressions. Facial expression movements will be explained in a manner that is not only understandable but also will ensure that the officer attending is engaged. Attendees will learn how to recognize facial expressions that flash on the face between 1/25th and 1/5 second. During this class the officer will be instructed on emotions, the facial expressions themselves and how knowledge of the facial expressions can be used to assist in evaluating truthfulness and detecting deception.

This course has been designed for everyone in law enforcement, as it has been taken by patrol officers, agents, investigators, conservation officers, sheriff's officers, arson investigators, detectives and other LEOs on the local, state, and federal levels with various job titles and job descriptions.

The instructor, Sean Grogan, is a former special investigations detective that spent his career with the Woodbridge, N.J. Police Department. In addition to spending the majority of his career in the narcotics unit as a detective, he was also a K-9 handler and gang investigator. He has conducted countless narcotics investigations and has assisted numerous agencies with various types of investigations. As a narcotics detective he utilized many confidential informants and executed a variety of search warrants resulting in numerous arrests and narcotics and currency seizures.

Sean Grogan has completed extensive training in Europe on micro-facial expressions, body language and other non-verbal communication which he was able to utilize during his career in law enforcement during countless interviews. He also earned his trainer's certification from the Body Language Institute in Alexandria, Virginia. Due to Sean's skills and experience, he was recruited by Joe Navarro's Body Language Academy, for which, he provides mentor services.

Venue: Deer Park, TX



Catalytic converters thefts becoming more violent, according to law enforcement

Sources say HPD is exploring task force on the trending thefts.

HOUSTON – Denise Maxwell is all too familiar with the rampant theft of catalytic converters across Houston.

The operator of Collision Fix in northwest Harris County has two more vehicles scheduled for next week in need of converters replacement. “It’s becoming deadly. You walk outside and somebody is messing with your truck, they are going to kill you over your catalytic converter,” said Maxwell.

This is the state of vehicular crimes throughout the area. A small, nondescript piece of your vehicle is a coveted prize for thieves. All it takes is a few to translate into thousands of dollars, “It’s a huge business right now,” Maxwell added. “It’s easier for someone to steal a ‘cat’ and make money off that than it is to go to work for a week.”

Unlike years past, the criminals doing the stealing are not strictly focused on vehicular burglaries according to law enforcement.

“I think what is happening is, they say it’s easy money so all the criminals are gathering up,” said Commander of the Galveston County Auto Crimes Task Force Lt. Hal Barrow.

Barrow says the thefts are a daily issue. They also are organized and increasingly more violent. “They’re working in groups doing this, and then when you walk up on your car unknowingly, they pull out a weapon and start firing on you. This can happen to anybody,” said Barrow.

Houston Police Department sources confirm to KPRC 2 Investigates the department is examining the creation of a catalytic converter task force.

State Senator John Whitmire, who chairs the Criminal Justice Committee at the Capitol, says he plans for the trending thefts to be a key topic at next month’s meeting in Houston.