

LPCAAA

The News Bulletin

Farewell Terry Carr!

Littleton Humane Officer Terry Carr retired in March after almost two decades of service to our community. Prior to his time in Littleton, Terry worked animal control in California and elsewhere. His farewell party was well attended by LPD officers, coworkers and LPCAAA members. A humorously decorated cake was prepared for the occasion.

Terry said his most challenging encounters while here were with a bear and a mountain lion. During his long career, he said he'd only been bitten twice. Amazing! That's a testament to his skill and professionalism. Terry is returning to California where he expects to continue his work with animals. We thank him for his many years of service to Littleton and we wish him all the best!

By Jim McNamee



Can School Shootings Be Prevented?

Follow-up interview to last year's "What It's Like To Be On The Front Lines Of School Safety", with SRO Jason Gallardo.

[Click here](#) for details.

Upcoming Events

[Click here](#) for a list of upcoming events.



"Alone we can do so little; together we can do so much."
-Helen Keller

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The Chief's Corner

Chief Doug Stephens



Honoring Officer Kevin Denner

Littleton Officer Kevin Denner was tragically killed while responding to court on May 6, 2013, when he was struck on his motorcycle by a drunk driver. Kevin will be honored this month by his name being added to both the Colorado, and National Law Enforcement Officers Memorials.

On May 3rd, Kevin's name will be added to the Colorado Fallen Officer Memorial at Camp George West. On May 13th, his name will be added to the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial in Washington D.C. I'm confident we will have a strong showing at the Colorado ceremony as Kevin was loved and respected by his LPD family. We are honored to share this special day, along with many of our LPCAAA friends, to show our respect for Kevin and his family.

The department is sending several officers, along with Kristen Denner, to Washington D.C. for the national ceremony later this month. Members of the LPD Honor Guard will participate in the national ceremony along with honor guards from throughout the country during the Candlelight Vigil on May 13th. The national ceremony will be attended by thousands of officers, families, and friends of fallen officers. We are proud to support Kevin and his family during this important ceremony.

Kevin's name will live on as part of both these sacred memorials, and it will live on in the memories of his LPD family.

Officer Kevin Denner, E.O.W. May 6, 2013

Editor's Note: For photos of the event, check 18th Judicial District Attorney's Office – Colorado on Facebook



Board Stuff

President's Message

Jim McNamee



Last year was memorable for the LPCAAA. Thanks to President Kay Thacker's leadership and the dedicated efforts of our Board of Directors, we revised our Bylaws and Members Manual, updated Board position descriptions, and created a Policy manual. A highlight was our raising money for enhanced tactical gear that provides better protection for LPD officers. It culminated with the presentation of gear at a heartwarming ceremony conducted at Mission Hills Church.

This year we have plenty of opportunities to volunteer to help our police department. With more than a dozen events yet to come, we need your continued involvement. Glance at our calendar at <http://www.lpcaaa.org/> to see what's on the event horizon. If you haven't volunteered yet this year, plan to sign up for one of the upcoming events. You won't appreciate how good they make you feel until you try them.

A new Citizens Academy class graduates May 16th so we're looking forward to welcoming many new members. Also coming up is another Community Safety Volunteers (CSV) class. It is scheduled to start June 8th. There are a couple slots still open so be sure to contact LPD Sgt. Steve Skundberg or LPCAAA member Carey Crain if you'd like to join LPD's CSV program.

It's the time of year when Littleton residents take to the City's extensive system of beautiful outdoor trails. With enthusiastic support from LPD we're organizing a bicycle patrol that will travel those trails, being an extra set of eyes and ears as well as acting as ambassadors to the community on behalf of LPD. If you regularly ride your bike on the Highline Canal, Mary Carter Greenway or other bike trails and would like to have fun and get involved, email me (President@LPCAAA.ORG) to let me know your interest in participating.

Spring is a time for growth and change. LPCAAA has been proud to help our Friends of Littleton K-9 group get under way and to prosper. They are now ready to take their efforts to the next level and become a separate charitable organization. Follow them on Facebook as they widen their reach and grow their fundraising activity in support of Littleton's police dog team.

All of this was made possible by you, our members. Thanks to all LPCAAA members who enthusiastically support our Littleton Police. Past accomplishments inspire us to do even more this year.

Jim McNamee
LPCAAA President

The logo for the Littleton Police Citizen Academy Alumni Association (LPCAAA). It features the acronym "LPCAAA" in a bold, white, italicized font with a black outline. The text is set against a dark blue, stylized shape that resembles a wing or a banner.

Past-President's Message

Kay Thacker



PRESIDENT'S 2018 SUMMARY LETTER

In reflection over the events of this past year, I am very proud of the accomplishments of the 2018 Board and the general membership of the LPCAAA. Not only have we met our regular volunteer obligations to the LPD but were also instrumental in partnering with Mission Hills Church and Shield 616 in providing improved tactical gear to 48 officers. The CSV and Friends of Littleton K-9 volunteers deserve recognition for their tireless dedication to the patrol and K-9 officers.

Along with acknowledgement of 8000+ volunteer hours for 2017 at the Annual Picnic, Chief Stephens and Sgt. Skundberg were able to present lifetime volunteer pins to 6 of our members who have exceeded 1000 hours of volunteerism.

As the 2018 President of the LPCAAA, I am honored to have been associated with such an exceptional volunteer association and the members of the Littleton Police Department. I wish to express my sincere appreciation to the LPCAAA membership and Board as well as Chief Stephens, the LPD Command Staff and officers for their help and support over this past year.

I am pleased to pass the leadership of the LPCAAA into the capable hands of your new President, Jim McNamee, and the 2019 Board. I am very confident that the Association will continue to provide and to expand our support to the Department.

Thank you again and best wishes for the New Year.

Kay Thacker
Past President LPCAAA

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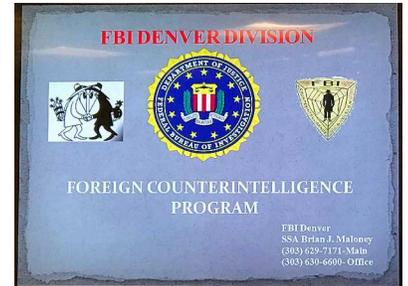


Programs

Photos by Kevin Cunningham

Brian Maloney, FBI – January Meeting

January's presentation was Brian J. Maloney, Supervisory Special Agent with the FBI. He discussed the FBI's Counterintelligence Unit Mission with special emphasis on Denver's area of responsibility.



Cheryl Chiasson, Bio-One – February Meeting

Topic on crime & trauma scene clean up, about why biohazard cleanup is necessary and what the process entails – *presentation was postponed to a future date*

Elizabeth Ortiz, Arapahoe County Coroner's office – March Meeting

No information on program

The International Contingent – April Meeting

LPCAAA members were treated to a very entertaining and informative presentation from four LPD Officers with international backgrounds - Officers Chris Mannerings (England), Andy Barnard (Scotland), Horacio Borrego (Mexico), and Cesar Correa (Brazil). They spoke about their lives before moving to the United States; the journey to Colorado; the differences in law enforcement, culture and language.



Fun fact – three of the four officers moved to the United States because of a woman they met in their country; although the fourth officer moved here at the age of seven, so technically also because of a woman – his mother.

Mission Statement

LPCAAA's mission is to assist the Littleton Police Department in making our community a safer and better place to live.



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What would you like to see in *LPCAAA The News Bulletin*? Send an email to media@lpcaaaa.org with ideas, stories, comments, and/or photos to share with Alumni members.

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ALUMNI CORNER

LPS Stride Event – Oct 2018

Photos by Jessica Martin & LPS Foundation

LPCAAA members assisted LPD with The Stride, helping with traffic and working the race route. The Stride is a fundraiser hosted by the Littleton Public Schools Foundation. Proceeds from this event benefits all LPS schools.

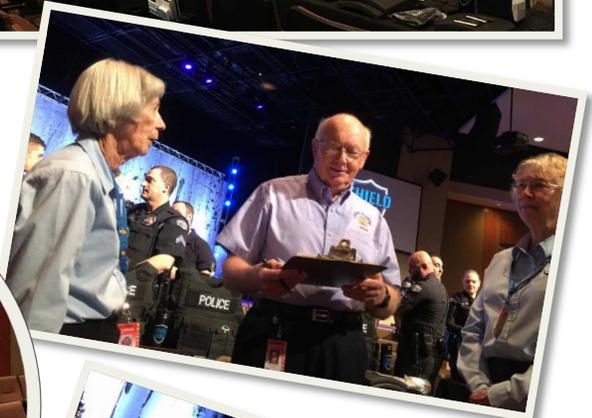
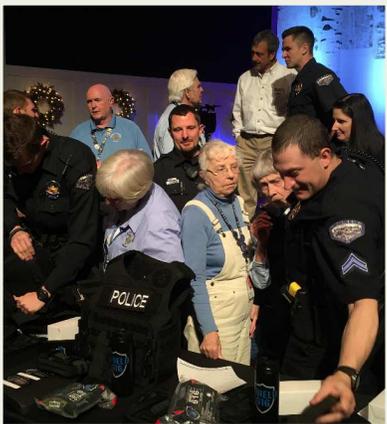


Shield 616 Presentation

*Photos by Joyce Cunningham,
Kevin Cunningham, Jim McNamee*

On Wednesday, November 28, 2018 about 30 LPCAAA members participated in the Shield 616 Presentation ceremony at Mission Hills Church. The members, along with other donators, stood with an LPD officer and presented the enhanced body armor to the officer.

Shield 616 campaign helped raise \$84,000 to equip LPD officers with upgraded tactical gear. Thirty-eight officers received this armor at the ceremony.



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Shop With A Cop – Dec 2018

By Jim McNamee

The annual Shop With A Cop event took place on Dec. 12th. Over three dozen children arrived by school bus excited to begin a shopping spree in the Littleton Wal-Mart on 13420 W. Coal Mine Ave. They were accompanied through the store by Littleton Police officers and volunteers from the LPCAAA. The children received a gift card to purchase holiday presents for themselves and family members. Those cards were sponsored through generous donations from Walmart and local Littleton merchants.



Ron Etter served as Team lead for 15 Alumni Association volunteers. They shepherded children and shopping carts around the isles and watched as each child picked out presents. A couple kids knew exactly what they wanted and where to find it thanks to prior scouting trips to Wal-Mart. Others wrestled with decisions presented by shelves full of tempting choices.

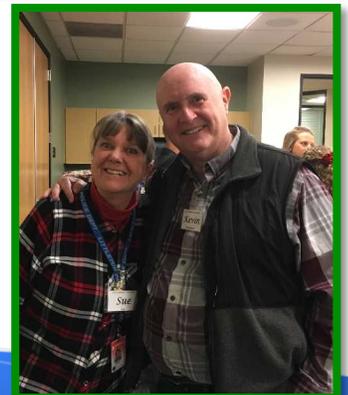
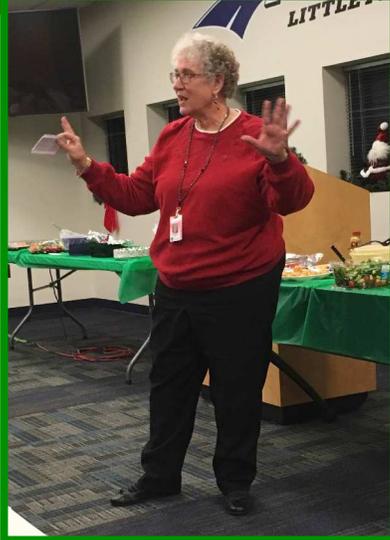
With purchases complete, everybody posed for a picture in front of the store. All participants had a great time. Many thanks go out to participating officers, LPCAAA members and merchant sponsors. If you didn't share the joy of being part of Shop With A Cop, another opportunity awaits you next year. Looking forward to seeing you there!



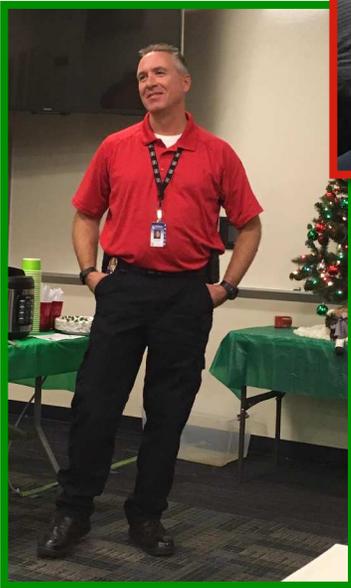
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Holiday Potluck – December 2018

We held our annual Holiday Potluck on Thursday, December 6th. The Committee did a great job transforming the Training Rooms into a festive space. The food was delicious and everybody had fun.

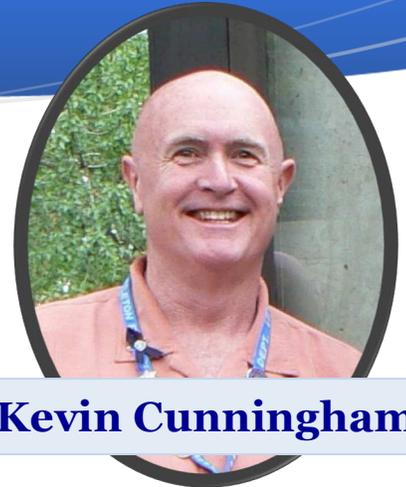


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ALUMNI SPOTLIGHT



Kevin Cunningham

Kevin Cunningham

What year did you graduate from the Citizen Academy class? **2010**

What year did you join LPCAAA? **2010**

Besides the regular activities/events done as a General Member, what other jobs/events did you undertake or are currently a part of (sub-committee, ad-hoc committee, extra volunteer work, Board, etc.)?

- I got “voluntold” into being media director; president (elect, boss & has-been);
- I represented the alumni/PD at the original CSV grant application & subsequently was with CSV for a while;
- I was forced to get drunk with a gaggle of drunken women - all for the amusement of “a particular Sargent”;
- I’ve been in a couple of SWAT exercises - it’s a different thing to be staring into the muzzles of a bunch of weapons - even if you know they’re safe;
- I took part in the landfill search, helped with the Windemere fire evacuees.



What is your favorite event that you have volunteered for? **Wet lab**
Why? **D’oh! You need to ask???**

What do you like about volunteering for LPD? **Learning more about PD; helping LPD**

What do you like about living and/or working in Littleton? **It’s a safe place with a small-town vibe, while being close to a larger city.**

Why did you take the Citizen Academy class and/or join LPCAAA? **For my family & me to learn about local laws - we were new to the US.**

ALUMNI SPOTLIGHT



What has surprised you most about volunteering with LPD? **How many friends that we have made.**

What do you find most challenging about volunteering with LPD? **Dealing with some negative individuals; finding time & energy**

If you could change one thing about LPCAAA, what would it be? **Change the governance structure to separate the board roles from business roles.**

What might other Alumni members be surprised to know about you? **My wife beats me... no, they know that already... I teach at the CELL? or that I act in silly things? or that I met the Beatles? You choose.**

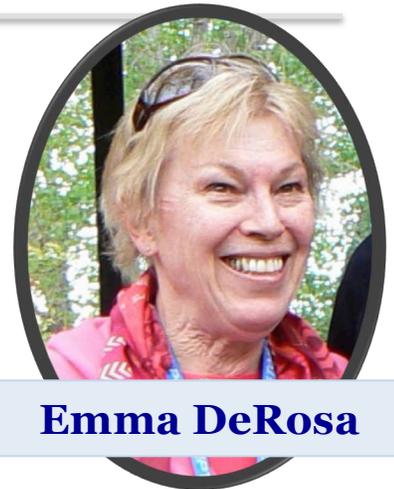
Emma DeRosa

What year did you graduate from the Citizen Academy class? What year did you join LPCAAA?

I saw an article about the LPD Citizens Academy class and thought it would be interesting to learn about police work. So, I signed up and took the class in 2011, joining the alumni at the end of the session.

Besides the regular activities/events done as a General Member, what other jobs/events did you undertake or are currently a part of (sub-committee, ad-hoc committee, extra volunteer work, Board, etc.)?

I try to volunteer as much as I can to all the major events and have also helped a very small bit in sorting thru files to be scanned and helping with Patrol Inventory. The storage room had to be cleaned out and now, with three other LPCAAA members, we do a bi-weekly count of the items kept in the storage room for the officers.



Emma DeRosa

ALUMNI SPOTLIGHT

What is your favorite event that you have volunteered for? Why?
But my favorite volunteer assignment was Shop With A Cop that I did about four years ago. It was so interesting seeing what the kids chose to spend their money on. Some picked things just for themselves, some got things to share, some for others, some bought badly needed items -- new sneakers, two basketballs (they were only \$5.00!), pretty candles for his step-mother, a new pillow, new jeans.



What has surprised you most about volunteering with LPD?
Volunteering for LPD is like being backstage at a play. You get a different view of the end product -- a little of the life of the officers and staff, the classes and training they get, what their workday is like. And you learn they are very human, just like us.



If you know of any Alumni members who received accolades, please let me know so we can showcase their achievements here. Email me at media@lpcaaa.org



Community Safety Volunteer (CSV) Academy

For anyone interested in becoming a member of the LPCAAA CSV group, the next Academy is planned to start on June 8th. In order to participate, you must be a member in good standing with LPCAAA.

If you are interested, please provide your name, email address and contact phone number(s) to: Carey Crain at CKCrain@msn.com. An application and instructions will be provided.

NOTE: A minimum of 10 candidates is required for the class.

Photos provided by Jessica Martin





By Joe Hanson

The Friends of Littleton K-9 wrapped up 2018 with an unexpected, and much appreciated, invitation from the Littleton Business Chamber to attend their Christmas Gala in December. The Littleton Business Chamber includes a group of local "...businesses and business leaders invested in the welfare of the City of Littleton with a desire to see the community thrive for generations to come. The Chamber desires to be a resource and a constructive voice for businesses and organizations large and small." In addition to supporting local businesses, they also highlight deserving non-profits for special recognition and financial assistance. The Friends of Littleton K-9 were honored to be acknowledged for their efforts in support of the Littleton Police Department's K-9 program and promoting the program to the Littleton community.

Romano's Fundraiser – April 2019

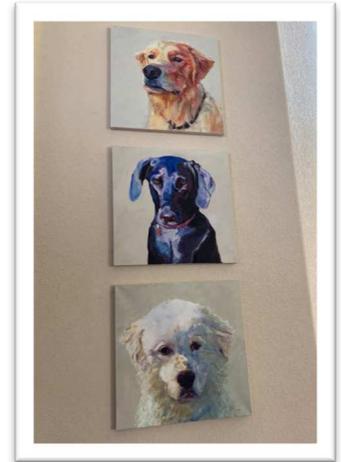
The 2019 fundraising campaign kicked off on April 17 with another great daylong event at Romano's Pizzeria. The fantastic owners and staff work very hard to ensure the Friends and their supporters

have an enjoyable and productive day. It all starts, of course, with the best home-style Italian food in town and the steady stream of diners attest to that. But, the real stars of the day are K-9's Koda and Zan accompanied by their 2-legged partners. The popularity of the K-9 Teams can be measured by the many supporters who stop to say "Hi" and pet the dogs. And, boy, how the dogs absolutely love it!



Littleton Business Chamber – Spring

Immediately following Romano’s, the Friends were asked for an encore with the Littleton Business Chamber at their Spring Members Meeting. Once again, we were honored to receive a donation courtesy of Connie Renner, a nationally renowned artist who graciously donated her commission on three dog portraits. Officer Jones and K-9 Koda assisted in expressing our deep gratitude for the Chamber’s support.



K9 Merchandise Info

Fundraising for the LPD K-9 program remains the primary focus of the FLK-9 and an important part of our fundraising is offering quality branded merchandise to the public. In order to avoid becoming stale, we roll out new or updated products annually. For 2019, we are highlighting our dynamic duo of 4-legged officers with a “DuoDog” shirt featuring a full color graphic of both dogs on a navy blue, short sleeve all cotton T. Also new for 2019 are cool stickers that are a must-have for all K-9 dog lovers.



Each of our 4-legged officers is featured on his own page in addition to other “thin blue line” themed stickers. All of our merchandise can be viewed at our on-line store through our Facebook page - “Friends of Littleton K-9” - and our website at <https://friendsoflittletonk9.com>.

General Information

Amazon Smile – Donate at no cost to you!!

AmazonSmile is a simple and automatic way for you to support your favorite charitable organization every time you shop, at no additional cost to you. Once you set up AmazonSmile, with your existing Amazon account, Amazon will donate 0.5% of your eligible purchases to **Littleton Police Citizen Academy Alumni Association** or **Friends of Littleton K-9***, depending on which organization you selected.

(* K-9 account is in the process of being set-up)

To set-up Amazon Smile, click here: [AmazonSmile Set-up](#)

For information about Amazon Smile, go to [Amazon Smile](#)

K-9 Garlic Knot Fundraiser – June 12



Garlic Knot South Park



School's out, summer's almost here - it's time to head to Garlic Knot for pizza and fun!

Friends of Littleton K-9 Fundraiser

Please join us for all-you-can-eat pizza & garlic knots dinner buffet on June 12 from 5PM-9PM at the **Garlic Knot**, 1621 W. Canal Circle, .

Tickets are \$10/per person, and can be purchased at the door.

Exciting **K-9 Demonstrations** scheduled for 6:30PM in parking lot of Garlic Knot.

Come watch the K-9 teams "put the bite on crime"!

Hope to see YOU there!

Tickets can be purchased ahead of time by emailing FLK-9 at friendsltnk9@gmail.com and tickets will be delivered to you. Or tickets can be purchased at the K9 booth at the restaurant. Payment can be made by cash, credit card or checks.

Can School Shootings Be Prevented?

LPD's Officer Jason Gallardo is the SRO at Littleton High School. On April 26, 2018, he was interviewed by Colorado Matters on CPR News about being on the front line during heightened fears of school shootings.



On April 4, 2019, Officer Gallardo did a follow-up interview for the 20th Anniversary of the Columbine shooting.

To listen or read the transcript of the interview, click [here](#).

Upcoming Events*

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May		
5/16/19	Citizens Academy Graduation	LPD - Training Rm A&B
5/21/19	Falcon Flash	Euclid MS

No Monthly Meeting in May

June 2019						
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June		
6/01/19	LPD Appreciation Lunch	LPD - Courtyard
6/08/19	Block Party	Downtown Littleton
6/12/19	K9 Fundraiser	Garlic Knot
6/24/19	Monthly Meeting	LPD - Training Rm A&B

July 2019						
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July		
7/22/19	Monthly Meeting	LPD - Training Rm A&B
7/25/19	Quarterly Board Meeting	LPD - Training Rm A
7/28/19	4th Annual Summer Potluck Picnic - Time TBD	Wolhurst

August 2019						
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August		
8/03/19	Criterium Bike Race	Downtown Littleton
8/06/19	Teen CSI (August 6-8)	Bemis Public Library
8/06/19	National Night Out	Various Locations
8/17/19	WWW Parade & Dunk Tank	Downtown Littleton
8/26/19	Monthly Meeting	LPD - Training Rm A&B

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Reminder

There is no Alumni meeting in May

* Check the website for up-to-date list of events

Monthly Alumni Meetings

4th Monday of the month
(as of March 26, 2018)

Time: 7:00 – 9:00 PM
Location: Littleton Police Dept Training Rooms
2255 W Berry Ave

Quarterly Board Meetings

4th Thursday at the beginning of each Quarter
January, April, July & October

Time: 7:00 – 9:00 PM
Location: Littleton Police Dept Training Rooms
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