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The Arlington Police Foundation Newsletter

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Arlington, Texas

## Foundation Supports APD Summer Youth Program

The Foundation provides financial support to the Police Department's summer program for youth called Police Athletic League or PAL Camp.



Held during June and July, each week-long camp is a fun and interesting way for junior high students to meet and interact with officers.

PAL Camp provides an important avenue for youth to learn about positive choices and responsible citizenship while in the company of school resource officers, many of whom the students will meet during The school year at their campus.

Approximately 30 students will participate in each week of the camp, and three camps are scheduled this summer.

Foundation support funds breakfast, lunch, and other refreshments each day of the camp to the students and leaders as well as entrance fees to activities such as a ropes course, water parks, and other field trips.

## Meet the Board

The current board members of the foundation are:

Rudy Martinez (Chair), Jim Ross (Vice Chair) Cindy Cox, Carl Cravens, Cindy Dao, Harold Elliot, Chief Will Johnson, Richard Jones, Blake Miller, Jim Morse, Bethany Tyler Tinderholt and John R. Slover.

Coming In future issues of *IN FOCUS*, get to know your Foundation board members. A new profile in each issue.

## Inaugural "Back The Blue Bash" Celebrates Law Enforcement

The foundation may have started a new tradition with the first "Back The Blue Bash" on March 20 in the Grand Hall of the Arlington Convention Center.

From great music and impressive door prizes to camaraderie and fellowship, it was a fun-filled night for a good cause. All of the proceeds from the bash went toward the foundation, which is a 501(c)(3) charity that funds essential equipment and programs for our police department and provides financial assistance to families of Tarrant County law enforcement officers who are injured or killed in the line of duty.

The Bash was an opportunity to celebrate our police employees, remember those who have given the ultimate sacrifice, and enjoy a relaxed evening out with loved ones and the police family. In an internal newsletter to APD employees, Chief Johnson wrote, "I was happy to see so many of you in attendance and having a great time."

The Foundation plans to continue the tradition of the Bash in the spring of 2015. See **more photo highlights on Page 2.**

***"This event gave us a great platform to build good will and create more community awareness about who the Police Foundation is. Thank you for your support!"***

**Board Chair Rudy Martinez**

## UPCOMING EVENTS

Join us!

**Thursday, Sept. 11, 2014**

The Second Annual "Handcuffs and Mulligans" Golf Tournament  
1:30pm Shot Gun Start  
Tierra Verde Golf Club, Arlington  
([click here](#) for registration form)



**Thursday, Sept. 18, 2014**

North Texas Giving Day  
(more details coming soon)



Photo Highlights from the 2014 Back the Blue Bash

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### ***Thank you, Elmcroft of Arlington!***

Seniors residing at the Elmcroft of Arlington recently finished a special quilt in support of our police department and the foundation. This beautiful quilt was auctioned for \$350, and the proceeds were accepted by Police Foundation Board Members **Ben Nix** and **Bethany Tinderholt**.

West District Patrol Officer Tasha Hall and Officer Abraham Felton also accepted a box of stuffed animals for officers to distribute from their patrol cars for any children who might appreciate the comfort of a stuffed animal.

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