

Ask the Chief of the Anna Police: A weekly column allowing readers access to useful information about law enforcement issues in the Anna area.

This column is the personal opinion of Kenny Jenks and is based on his 29+ years of policing experience. It is not necessarily the official opinion of the City of Anna or the Anna Police Department. If you wish to Email, include your name and address in the correspondence. Your information will be edited before sending it to print.

Hello Readers,

I receive between 75-100 Emails each week from persons who would like to converse about the activities of the police in Anna and surrounding areas. I can't respond to or print all of them, but I do read them!

This week we celebrated National Night Out (in Texas) by hosting a community event at the Slayter Creek Park in Anna. This year's event began with a greeting from Mayor Darren Driskell and a short speech by State Representative Jody Laubenberg. The entire complement of the Anna Police Department was on hand to meet the public, provide public service information, and encourage crime prevention.

I want to send out a special thank you to the members of the Anna Fire Department who cooked hotdogs, the YMCA/CC Adventure Camp and their bounce house, local clowns Bubbles and Wowza, Cub Scout Pack 293 thankfully provided sound and music, GCEC for setting up an information table, Bloomfield Homes, Crossroads Church, and Careflight's Augusta A109 helicopter ambulance.

The turnout was outstanding. To give you an idea, we pre-stuffed 300 Halloween bags for the kids and those were gone in the first hour. We want to thank all of those that attended and made the event a success. Please, do not lose sight of the purpose of NNO: Meet your neighbors, agree to watch out for each other, and call the police when you see

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An unidentified Anna youth receives a trick or treat bag at the City's NNO event on Tuesday.

anything that looks suspicious in your area.

Many from the Anna area met Bubbles and Wowza at the City of Anna's National Night Out event on October 5.

**Reminder: Outdoor Storm Sirens Tested (weather permitting)**

First Wednesday of the month @ 12 noon.

**\*Phone numbers: Dial 911 in an emergency.** To have a police officer sent to you in a non-emergency, call 972-547-5350. During normal business hours, the APD number is 972-924-2848.

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