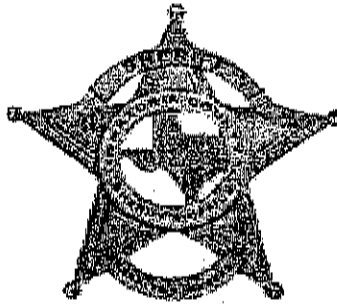


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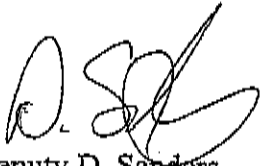
TO: Sheriff Wagner; Chief Adkins; CPT Foreman; LT Snelgrove

FROM: Deputy D. Sanders

REF: Events on 12/28/09

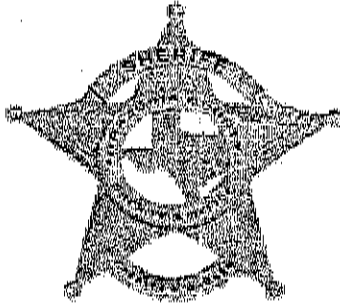
On 12/28/09 Deputy Bean and I took an extra job working for the Alvin Noon Lions Club providing security for their high school Annual Holiday Basketball Tournament. We were asked to provide security for the games from 0830 until about 2230 hours that evening for the games taking place in the Alvin, Fairview, and Harby Junior High Schools. The last game of the evening was being played in the gym of Harby Junior High School located on CR 145, in Alvin. During the final period of the game, at approximately 2145 hours, I observed one of the athletes that had been sitting on the bench, fall onto the floor of the gym and begin to have muscle contractions consistent with a seizure. Deputy Bean and I went to the aid of the young man and were soon joined by other persons in the gym. I observed one of the persons that arrived to help the victim was Coach Fredrick of Alvin ISD and another was a female wearing nurse's scrubs. The lady identified herself as a nurse and stated that she was also the victim's mother. I heard her state that her son, Tony, had a history of seizures as a child and that she had dealt with seizures of this nature before. I then took Tony's left wrist and began to monitor his pulse, as Deputy Bean and Tony's mother spoke to Tony and tried to keep him from getting injured during his convulsions and evaluated him for other injuries. After approximately four and a half minutes had passed since I began monitoring Tony's pulse, I noticed that I could no longer find it on his wrist any longer. I announced to Tony's mother that I was not able to find his pulse on his wrist and she began to search for it on his neck. After a brief search, she checked for his respiration and shortly after stated that he was not breathing. Deputy Bean and I then rolled Tony onto his back and Deputy Bean gathered Tony's jersey and undershirt and held it away from his body as I retrieved my pocketknife and cut his clothing away from his torso. I then began chest compressions on Tony and his mother was providing respirations. Deputy Bean called 911 and advised the dispatcher of the situation and requested an ambulance to our location and advised some of the onlookers in the crowd to assist us by evacuating the crowd from the gym. At some point, Coach Fredrick arrived with an AED and between my sets of chest compressions, applied the pads to Tony's chest and we then followed the directions the AED gave. I continued to give chest compressions until the AED advised to deliver a shock. At that time, Coach Fredrick operated the AED and delivered a shock and afterward, I continued chest compressions. After a few sets of compressions and respirations, the AED advised to deliver another shock and Coach

Fredrick delivered the shock. After approximately 8-10 minutes of chest compressions and respirations the ambulance arrived from Alvin EMS and attached their monitoring equipment to the victim and advised that there was no pulse. The EMS personnel called for Life Flight and advised us to continue CPR and after a short time delivered another shock or two to the victim. During the incident, I lost count of the number of shocks that were delivered to Tony, however to the best of my memory he was shocked either 3 or 4 times total. I then began chest compressions again and after a brief period was stopped by EMS so that they could monitor Tony's vitals. EMS monitored Tony and at that time, advised that his heart had begun beating on its own again and for me to stop giving compressions. Shortly afterwards, Tony began to breathe on his own and Deputy Bean, Coach Fredrick, and I assisted EMS with loading Tony onto the ambulance and they delivered him to the Life Flight helicopter. I learned from the EMS personnel on scene that Tony's condition was improving and that he was speaking to them upon being loaded onto the Life Flight Helicopter.



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To: Sheriff Charles Wagner
Thru : Chief Deputy J. G. Adkins
From : Captain Richard Foreman
Date 01/20/10
Subject : Deputy Dominick Sanders / Deputy David Bean

Sir; I would like to take this opportunity to recognize and nominate deputies Dominick Sanders and David Bean for an Individual Citation.

On 12/28/09 deputies Sanders and Bean were at Harby Junior High school in Alvin Texas. They were working security for the Alvin Noon Lions Club Annual Holiday Basketball Tournament. During the tournament they observed a player who was sitting on the bench, fall to the floor. It appeared the child was having a seizure. Both deputies gave aid to the child. The young mans mother arrived and advised the child suffered from seizures. Deputy Sanders monitored the child's pulse. After several minutes Deputy Sanders lost the pulse. Attempts were made to find the pulse but the child's pulse and respirations had stopped. Deputy Bean and Sanders rolled the child over onto his back to begin CPR. Deputy Sanders along with the child's mother gave CPR while Deputy Bean called 911 requesting an ambulance and cleared the gym. Coach Fredrick arrived with an AED and after several attempts with AED and continued CPR the child still had no pulse or respirations. The Alvin EMS arrived and attached monitoring equipment. The child showed no signs of improvement. Deputy Sanders and the childs mother continued CPR. A short time later the EMS staff asked that the CPR be stopped so they could monitor the child. They advised that his heart was beating and he shortly began breathing on his own. The child was then transported by Life Flight to a Houston hospital.

The child who Deputies Sanders and Bean helped has since made a full recovery. I would like to recognize these two Patrol Deputies for their actions on 12/28/09 with an Individual Citation.

Mr. Killebrew,

Thanks for the kind words. We are blessed with resources such as the AED's that help save lives. But more importantly, I'm proud of the people who came forward to help this young man.

Robby McGowen, Ph.D.
Superintendent
Alvin ISD
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>>> Tyrone Killebrew <tkill22@yahoo.com> 1/5/2010 2:03 PM >>>

Happy New Year Dr. McGowen,

I am a basketball referee that did a game on 12/28/09 at Harby Jr. High school. The date is so important because the following day was my 49th birthday which came with the usual complaints of getting older and noticing the hair growing long in all the wrong places and a plethora of other unwanted physical changes.

The game was between Channelview vs. Clear Springs. We had a sparse and quiet crowd except for a woman wearing surgical scrubs who was sitting across from the benches. She would loudly voice her opinions when it was against the Channelview team. With 1:45 seconds left in the 4th quarter Channelview called a timeout with a 20 point deficit. We put the ball back in play and after 34 seconds called an official time out because a boy from Channelview fell off the bench onto the floor. The team immediately moved the bench to provide more room and the boisterous woman who was wearing the surgical scrubs walked across the floor calmly and knelt down by the boy.

She informed us that she was the mother of the boy and a nurse while inserting her index finger in her son's mouth to prevent him from blocking his air passageway with his tongue. In her conversing with us in a placid tone she described the concussion the boy sustained while playing football over a month ago and how he was tested with a stress test, EKG, CAT scan and was cleared by the Doctor. We asked the coach from the school to retrieve the defibrillator (AED) which he did. As the woman was talking there were 2 Deputy Sheriffs on duty who came over to assist as well, then she noticed that the boy wasn't breathing and the woman went from nurse to Mother. Her cry out to save her child was gut wrenching.

The Deputies started to administer CPR and the Mom simultaneously gave mouth to mouth. The Deputies then opened up the defibrillator and immediately a composed woman's voice started to give step by step instructions. It informed them that there was no heartbeat and to pump the heart 30 times. The woman's voice then told them to shock the patient, they did and then the instructions were to pump the heart 30 times. The process was followed again with no results. What was impressive was the circle both teams collectively had made around half court

and were earnestly praying for the survival of the boy. The defibrillator told them to shock the boy again which they did and immediately informed them that there was no heart beat and press 30 more times which they did. They completed the chest pumps and then was instructed to shock the patient which was followed, still no heart beat and a request to repeat the 30 pumps.

This is when one of the Deputies rose up in complete frustration and started to kick his own jacket realizing that this boy had died. The other Deputy stayed on the boy and listened to the defibrillator asking to shock the boy a 4th time which he did.....My God, the boy gasped for air and his heart started to beat. We had all witnessed a miracle and medical science. After some additional time the Paramedics arrived to transport the boy. There is no doubt that this kid is alive because of God and the defibrillator.

Thank you for providing this life saving equipment.

Regards,
Tyrone Killebrew

Deputies

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Club Annual Holiday Basketball tournament when Samuel, a player on the Channelview High School team, fell off the bench during a seizure.

Samuel had seizures before, but during the convulsions, something started to go wrong, officials said.

"I couldn't find a heartbeat," Sanders said. "I went down to do chest compressions while his mother went to do rescue breaths."

Alvin ISD coach Brandell Frederick retrieved the defibrillator kept at the gym, and Samuel was shocked four times, the deputies said.

After several minutes of effort by the deputies and medical personnel, Samuel started breathing again and was alert and talking when he was taken to a hospital by LifeFlight helicopter.

"There's nothing greater than saving a person's life," Sheriff Charles Wagner said. "They did what they were trained to do."

The deputies were able to see Samuel for the first time since the incident when they were honored a week ago in Channelview.

"It's one of those things in law enforcement where we don't see how we affect others' lives," Sanders said. "This was an opportunity to see that."

Bean said he and Sanders were only there to do a job that day, and they have been recognized for things other officers and officials do every day.

"It was kind of fulfilling," he said.

Hollins said the two deputies and others at the gym who helped that day did their best to take care of her son, and she would never be able to thank them enough.

"There's no amount of money or expression I could give them to show my appreciation," she said. "They were just amazing."

Alvin Noon Lions Club President Charles McCauley said the club has always hired officers to work security during the tournament, which included 85 games among several gyms.

McCauley said he was at the Harby Junior High gym when Samuel was revived that night and was glad to know the deputies helped.

"We think this one incident was worth all the money we've ever spent on security," he said.



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Bravonia County Sheriff's deputies Douglas Sanders, left, and David Bean were honored by Channelview ISD recently for help they gave the life of a student after he collapsed during a seizure and stopped breathing at a basketball tournament.

'They were just amazing'

Deputies honored for saving high school basketball player's life.

By JOHN TORRES

Photo courtesy of Channelview ISD

Bravonia County Sheriff's deputies Douglas Sanders and David Bean were honored recently for help they gave the life of a student after he collapsed during a seizure and stopped breathing at a basketball tournament.

mother, an EMT nurse, started CPR and used an automated external defibrillator to shock the player's heart. Eventually, Anthony Samuel Jr., 17, was resuscitated and made a full recovery.

"It all happened so fast," Bean said. "There was not a whole lot of time to think."

The deputies were honored last week by the Channelview ISD school board for their actions Dec. 28 at the Harry Junior High School gym in Alvin.

The deputies and the boy's father were honored Jan. 19 at a meeting of the Alvin ISD board.

"Those guys were stupendous," said Samuel's mother, Shayla Hollins.

Contacted Thursday, Hollins said she didn't have a lot of time to talk because her son was in the hospital again — this time for breaking his leg.

"He's doing great, I can't even complain," Hollins said. "He went to do a layup and he stepped wrong. But I'll take a broken leg."

Sanders and Bean were at the gym during the Alvin Noon Lions

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COMMUNITY FACES DEPUTIES HONORED



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Brazoria County Sheriff's deputies Dominick Sanchez, left, and David Bean are presented awards of appreciation by Pats Smith McNEESE, center, on behalf of the Angleton Exchange Club. They were honored by their efforts in helping a Channelview student who suffered a seizure during a basketball tournament. Anthony Samuel Jr., 17, was resuscitated and made a full recovery after he stopped breathing and fell from the bench during the tournament. The deputies were working security at the tournament and noticed it resuscitating Samuel. They received medals, flags flown over the U.S. Capitol and certificates of recognition from the Exchange Club, which also presented a \$400 check to the sheriff's office.