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Region One  
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The May Region One meeting will be in Santa Fe, Texas at the Amegy Bank of Texas, 13030 Highway 6, Santa Fe at 10:00 A.M on Saturday, May 9, 2009. Going South from Houston on I-45, take the Highway 646 (Bay Colony) Exit #20 and turn right for about 7-8 miles to the intersection of Hwy 646 and Hwy 6 in Santa Fe. Turn right on Hwy 6 for about one mile and the Amegy Bank is on the right. Coming from Hwy 59 or Hwy 90 or Hwy 288 south of Houston, Take Hwy 6 to Santa Fe. (About 40 miles from Sugar Land to Santa Fe on Hwy 6). The Amegy Bank is on the left. Santa Fe is a fairly new member of Region One and this is their first time to host a meeting. Let's attend and show our support. Bring your appetites, cause they have a few good cooks who like to feed crowds!  
The June Region One meeting will be in Pearland.

***Please make plans to attend as many Region One meetings as possible. Exciting things are happening in Region One and in Texas. Attendance at meetings and participation in activities is the lifeblood of any organization. Please make an extra effort.***

**Members in good standing.** Members who have paid 2009 dues are Brenham, Galveston, Galveston Sheriff, Harris County Constable Precinct 4, Houston, Humble, Kemah, Lake Jackson, Liberty County, Pasadena, Pearland, Richmond, Santa Fe, Sugar Land, Texas City, Webster and Individuals Calvin Walker and LaVonne Walker. Members who have not paid are: Alvin, Angleton, Dickinson, League City and Montgomery County. Your Association's dues are \$30.00 for 2009. You may pay at the May meeting or mail to Georgie Benavides, 522 Cole Ave. W., Webster, Texas 77598-4902. Individual memberships are available for \$10.00 a year. If you haven't paid your 2009 dues, you will not be in good standing and will not be eligible to vote.

**Schedule for 2009:**

January 10 - Angleton

February 14 - Lake Jackson

March 14 - Houston

April 18 - Dickinson (Note change from 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday)

May 9 - Santa Fe

June 13 - Pearland

July 11 - Galveston

August 8 - Sugar Land

September 12 - Montgomery County

October 10 - Brenham

November 14 - Texas City

December 12 -

*We don't have a host for the December meeting date. If you are not already hosting this year and would be willing to host December, e-mail [Charl.Bill@Yahoo.com](mailto:Charl.Bill@Yahoo.com) or call Charles Billingsley at 713-729-1546.*

*On a personal note, I missed the Dickinson meeting due to weather problems and will miss the Santa Fe meeting because I will be in Anchorage at the National CPAAA Convention. I'll tell Sarah Region One says howdy. See you in Pearland.*

Charles



## 2009 Texas CPAAA Convention – San Marcos

*The convention will be on July 30, 31 & August 1, 2009 at the brand new Embassy Suites Hotel and Conference Center. The room rate is only \$119.00 which includes a full breakfast, a free open bar with food from 5:00 to 7:00 P.M. each evening and free parking. Information about the convention and registration forms are on the web site <http://TCPAAconvention.org>.*

**Some Classes to be offered.** This is the initial list. Check the web site above for updates. Please note that there is less than two months left for submitting award nominations.

- How to start an Alumni Association
  - How to start a CPA class (Round Table Exercise)
  - How to start a 501c3 not for profit organization
  - CPA Coordinator Certification Course (T.C.L.E.O.S.E. )
  - Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design (CPTED)
  - Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) Program
  - Integrating Volunteers into a Disaster Response Plan
  - Advance Law Enforcement Rapid Response Training (ALERRT)
  - Emergency Operations Plan (EOP)
  - Gang Awareness and Intervention
  - Building a Culture of Preparedness
  - Internet Safety
  - Dating Violence
  - NIMS and ICS
  - Terrorism and Tourism Safety
  - Hostage Negotiations
  - VIPS
- How to Start a Blue Santa Program/Fundraisers

<b>Treasurer's Report</b> (submitted by Georgie Benavides):	
Balance 2-28-09	\$2,011.66
Receipts:	
Dues	<u>120.00</u>
No Disbursements	
Balance 3-31-09	<u>\$2,131.66</u>
Scholarship Fund:	
Balance 2-28-09	\$1,958.48
Interest Received	<u>1.14</u>
Balance 3-31-09	<u>\$1,959.62</u>

### THE BANK CEO

*By Stephen Fastis*

Once upon a time there was a bank C.E.O. who decided to make a lot of home loans to people he knew could not pay them back.

As a result, Mr. Bank C.E.O. made \$50,000,000 in bonuses and stock options.

But then the loans went bad.

And as a result, the bank employees lost their jobs.

And the bank's shareholders lost their money.

And the taxpayers with no connection to the bank had to pay all the money to fix it.

And Mr. Bank C.E.O. got to keep all of his \$50,000,000 and live happily ever after in his Connecticut mansion.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

Send your upcoming events to [Charl.Bill@Yahoo.com](mailto:Charl.Bill@Yahoo.com) and they will be published.

**K-9 GOLF TOURNAMENT, June 9, 2009, Montgomery Sheriff CPAAA.** Write Tom Bach at [tommyray1935@yahoo.com](mailto:tommyray1935@yahoo.com) for further information.

**TEXAS CITIZENS ON PATROL 2009 CONFERENCE, June 18<sup>th</sup>-20<sup>th</sup>, 2009, Granbury Resort Conference Center, Granbury, Texas.** Go to [www.TLOFT.org](http://www.TLOFT.org) for further information.

**TEXAS POLICE GAMES, June 24<sup>th</sup>-June 28<sup>th</sup>, 2009, Conroe Texas.** Go to [www.texaspolicegames.org](http://www.texaspolicegames.org) for further information.

### **ALUMNI NEWS**

Send news to [m-deal@sbcglobal.net](mailto:m-deal@sbcglobal.net) and to [charl.bill@yahoo.com](mailto:charl.bill@yahoo.com) via e-mail. You can send your news in for publication even if you aren't able to attend the meeting and present it there. We would like to know what is going on in your alumni association, but if you don't send it in, we won't know.

**Houston.** On April 16<sup>th</sup>, HCPAAA President, Barbara Hite presented the Lynn Clooney Memorial Award for the Officer of the Year to Senior Officer Paul Lassalle of the Traffic Enforcement Division. The presentation was preceded by the presentation of colors by the HPD Honor Guard, the National Anthem, the Pledge of Allegiance and the Invocation. Words of commendation were then given by Executive Assistant Chief Tim Oettmeier, Assistant Chief Vicki King, Captain C. W. Driskell and HCPAAA member Andrea Schmauss of MADD. In addition to Executive Assistant Chief Oettmeier, Assistant Chief Vicki King and Captain Driskell, other guests from HPD were three Assistant Chiefs and other dignitaries and officers. Officer Lassalle's wife, Catherine, was also at his side. CPA Class 40 graduated on April 30<sup>th</sup>. *Reported by Charles Billingsley*

**Lake Jackson.** Child ID volunteers did 60 Child ID's at Gladys Polk school in Richwood on April 6. The number of Child ID's done during 2009 is 890. Child ID plans to participate at Envirofest held at the Brazos Mall in Lake Jackson on Saturday, April 18. The Citizens on Patrol program continues to patrol on Friday and Saturday nights. The new members finished class training and are now riding with patrols to complete their training. There are 18 active COP volunteers. There will be quarterly meetings of COP personnel. Disabled Parking continues to patrol with 28 Disabled Parking members. A Disabled Parking Marathon is being planned for April. A week-long Warrant Call-Out was held during March. A graduation banquet will be held Thursday, May 14 for the CPA Class 28 at the Lake Jackson Civic Center. *Reported by Joyce Beeson*

**Santa Fe.** April was a busy month for our alumni. The first part of the month we had a garage sale that made over \$600.00. Everything had been donated to our alumni, so the event was pure profit. Our COP program is moving right along with the help of our COP committee. Our COP car will be receiving its graphics very soon. We are excited about our COP program and hope to have it up and running soon. On May 9<sup>th</sup>, we are hosting the May Region One meeting at Amegy Bank. This will be the first time we have hosted a meeting and we all are very excited to meet and greet everyone who attends. Bring your appetites, cause we have a few good cooks who like to feed crowds. *Reported by Laura Lindsey*



## Texas CPAAA Board Meeting, Buffalo, Texas, April 25, 2009

Notes from the meeting:

Conventions - 2009 Convention, San Marcos – 250 room-nights reserved; Registration 2:00-6:00 P.M. Thursday; 43 registered to date. There will be a ‘walk through’ by the TCPAAA Board on July 11<sup>th</sup>. 2010 Convention, Bryan/College Station – Theme “Teaming up for Law Enforcement”. 2012 Convention possibly Waco.

A need for a policy and procedures manual was discussed. It’s “in the works”.

A nominating committee composed of Region Reps with Charlotte Thomas as chair was formed. Three officers up for election in 2009 – Treasurer, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President, 3<sup>rd</sup> Vice President.

A satisfactory audit committee report was given by Dorris Murdock.

The IRS 501 (c) 3 status is being reviewed and prepared for compliance.

3<sup>rd</sup> Vice President, David Jusiewicz was relieved of duties due to lack of participation.

Region One Representative Carroll Bagley and Nine other Region One members attended.

There was a new Mission Statement adopted and is shown elsewhere in this newsletter.

*Reported by Tom Lane*

### **HONOR ROLL OF 2011 GALVESTON CONVENTION VOLUNTEERS**

Although the Convention has been postponed until 2011, we will still take names of volunteers. We realize that circumstances may change and no one will be faulted if they cannot volunteer even though they signed up. So don’t let that hold you back. **Sign up now so when we get there we can get off to a running start.** It will be here before you know it. Following is a list of the committees and those signed up which makes up the honor roll. You can see that some of the committees don’t have any volunteers. If your name is not listed, you can change that by sending an e-mail to Charles Billingsley (volunteer coordinator) at [Charl.Bill@Yahoo.com](mailto:Charl.Bill@Yahoo.com). If you don’t have access to e-mail, you can call Charles Billingsley at 713-729-1546. Please copy e-mails to Dave Miller at [sdmillers@yahoo.com](mailto:sdmillers@yahoo.com).

#### **Registration and Bags**

Calvin Walker, Dickinson, 281-339-1107, [cowboy@hal-pc.org](mailto:cowboy@hal-pc.org)  
Jody Thomas, Pearland, 281-412-7004, [joltt1357@hotmail.com](mailto:joltt1357@hotmail.com)  
Carolyn Suderman, Dickinson, 281-337-3456, [csud1@comcast.net](mailto:csud1@comcast.net)  
Fred Watt, Jr., Pearland, 713-436-7699, [fred.watt@cityofhouston.net](mailto:fred.watt@cityofhouston.net)

#### **Room Monitors and Prizes**

Jeanne Canales, Sugar Land, 713-447-3773, [jrcanales@sbcglobal.net](mailto:jrcanales@sbcglobal.net)  
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Charles Billingsley, 713-729-1546, [charl.bill@yahoo.com](mailto:charl.bill@yahoo.com)  
Tom Lane, 713-771-0016

#### **Class Speakers and Topics**

Tammy Harper, Galveston, 713-724-3250, [tharper@yahoo.com](mailto:tharper@yahoo.com)  
Carol Cowan, Galveston, 409-692-7744

#### **Audio and Video**

#### **Meals and Ticket Takers**

#### **Guest Speakers**

Ben Hernandez, Dickinson and TCPAAA, 281-837-3368

#### **Open and Closing Ceremonies and Speakers**

#### **Sponsors**

#### **Officer Certification (T-Close)**

Thomas Bach, Montgomery County Sheriff, 936-443-6535, [tommyray1935@yahoo.com](mailto:tommyray1935@yahoo.com)  
Rita Crosby, Montgomery County Sheriff, 936-264-2338

#### **Decorations (Meals, Opening and Closing Ceremonies)**

Fay Burke, Lake Jackson, 979-297-8986, [fbvb1976@swbell.net](mailto:fbvb1976@swbell.net)  
Joyce Beeson, Lake Jackson, 979-239-8153, [jmabeeson@earthlink.net](mailto:jmabeeson@earthlink.net)

#### **Unassigned**

Madeline Volek, Houston, 281-847-2163, [volekmadeline@yahoo.com](mailto:volekmadeline@yahoo.com)

## MISSION STATEMENT OF TEXAS STATE CPAAA

The mission of the **Texas Citizen Police Academy Alumni Association** is to assist and educate the various **Citizen Police Academy Alumni Associations** within the State of Texas to better serve their communities by more effectively partnering with and supporting the **law enforcement agencies** in their area.

We will accomplish this through educational classes, seminars and group gatherings. The educational process will be conducted by law enforcement agencies from local, county, state and federal jurisdiction and any other organization dealing with security issues. In having the tools to be more vigilant, the local CPAAA's can be significant assets to their sponsoring law enforcement agencies while also providing valuable opportunities for civic-minded citizens to give back to their communities as volunteers. Education in vigilant activities could encompass the topics of drugs, gangs, missing children and adults, along with other subjects as needed.

### **Boring but important!**

*The following items have been in the Flash almost every issue and the reason we keep repeating them is because they are important, so pay attention if they apply to or affect you.*

If anyone has any ideas for obtaining funds for the **scholarship fund**, please contact one of the officers or directors.

**Don't miss a communication!** *If you change your e-mail address and don't notify us causing delivery of the Flash to be denied, you are dropped from our e-mail list. Be sure to notify us at [Charl.Bill@Yahoo.com](mailto:Charl.Bill@Yahoo.com) immediately if your e-mail address changes or if you don't get a Flash each month..*

**Region One Officers and Directors** always welcome suggestions about how to make the **Region One meetings better and more interesting.** Call any of them with your suggestions.

*When you sign in at a meeting, please print your name. There are always names on the sign in sheet that are unreadable and you don't get credit for attending.*

### **WEB SITES AND ADDRESSES.**

The state convention web site is <http://tcpaaconvention.org>.

The Texas CPAAA state web site is <http://TexasCPAAA.org>. Dues are \$10.00 per year.

**Region One** is a link on the Texas CPAAA state web site.

The web site for the National CPAA is [www.nationalcpaa.org](http://www.nationalcpaa.org). Dues are \$25.00 per year.

The Web Master's e-mail is [Leo@TexasCPAAA.org](mailto:Leo@TexasCPAAA.org).

The address for the 2011 Convention is Convention 2011, P.O. Drawer V, Dickinson, Texas 77539-2022. The co-chairs for the convention (for which we are eternally thankful and grateful) are Charles Suderman, Dickinson, [csud2@comcast.net](mailto:csud2@comcast.net) and David Miller, Pearland, [sdmillers@yahoo.com](mailto:sdmillers@yahoo.com).

**IF YOU HAVE A FUNCTION COMING UP, OR HAVE SOMETHING THAT WOULD BE OF INTEREST TO REGION ONE MEMBERS, SUBMIT IT AND IT WILL BE PUBLISHED IN THE FLASH. SEND TO [CHARL.BILL@YAHOO.COM](mailto:CHARL.BILL@YAHOO.COM).**

If you are unable to open the Flash or have trouble doing so, it is posted immediately on the Region One web site as a PDF File and can be printed from there.

**That wasn't so bad, was it?**

**If you feel like doing some work, sit down and wait....the feeling goes away.**

**When confronted with a bad situation, sometimes the best solution is to take a nap.**