



Our next meeting will be held on

**Tuesday, February 21, 2006
11:30 A.M.**

at



Fire Mountain Grill
(formerly Ryan's Family Steak House)
485 N Business Loop IH-35
New Braunfels, Texas

Guest speakers

Investigator John Bailey, Comal Co Vehicle Theft Division
and
Investigator Archie Harbin, DPS Auto Theft

Cpl. Tim Kolbe - "These guys are partners in finding and recovering many stolen autos, tractor/trailers, recreational vehicles, farm and industrial construction equipment.

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AACPA.NET

VISITORS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME

Barbara Lowe - If there's time to get a plea in the newsletter, I would like to borrow another set of DW Eyes (goggles that simulate intoxication).

We will be having an anti-drinking and driving event at the college on 3-8-06. One of the things we are doing this year is to set up an obstacle course and let students drive it with the goggles on. Of course, they'll be driving golf carts and either officers or SWTJC administration will be with them.

Any help from fellow AACPA members will be greatly appreciated and I will take good care of the goggles. *These things are expensive.* Thanks, Barbara Lowe

Submitted by Barbara Lowe and Linda Furlow

CAUSE OF DEATH

Shootings-

12 officers died during domestic violence calls
 7 officers died answering robbery calls
 3 officers died in an ambush
 3 officers died serving warrants
 14 officers died during a traffic stop
 6 officers were shot accidentally
 6 officers were shot by suspect with their own gun
 2 officers died of accidental self inflicted
64 officers in total died by gunfire

Motor Vehicle-

15 officers died when they lost control of vehicle
 19 officers died in auto accidents involving someone else
 4 officers died due to road conditions
 11 officers died being ran over by a vehicle
 4 officers died while laying stop sticks
 4 officers died because of a drunk driver
 4 officers died in motorcycle accidents
66 officers in total died from motor vehicle accidents

Heart Attack-

3 officers died of heart attacks during training
 3 officers died of heart attacks during an assault
 4 officers died of heart attacks assisting another officer
 4 officers died of heart attacks during a foot pursuit
14 officers in total died of heart attacks

Other-

1 officer died of drowning
 4 officers died in helicopter accidents
 1 officer died in an airplane accident
 1 officer died in an atv accident
 1 officer died being struck by a train
 3 officers died falling off bridges
 1 officer died of a stabbing
 1 officer died of hepatitis C
 2 officers died from cancer
 1 officer died from drinking too much water
 3 officers died of mortar attack in war in Iraq

STATES WITH MOST LOSSES

California 22
 Texas 13
 Georgia 10
 Virginia 9
 Missouri 7

LENGTH OF TIME ON THE JOB

3 years on average - 13 officers died within 3 years of duty
Shortest time on the job - 6 days - Heart Attack during training in Alabama
Longest time on the job - 37 years - Lake Ranger in Oklahoma
Under 1 year on the job - 9 officers
Under 5 years on the job - 48 officers
6 to 10 years on the job - 25 officers
11 to 20 years on the job - 40 officers
21 to 30 years on the job - 21 officers
31 to 40 years on the job - 4 officers
17 officers time on the job unknown

AGES OF LOST OFFICERS

Average age of a fallen officer - 34 years old
Youngest 21 years old from Michigan
Oldest 72 years old from Oklahoma
Under Age 25 - 7 officers
Age 25 to 30 - 24 officers
Age 31 to 35 - 39 officers
Age 36 to 40 - 27 officers
Age 41 to 50 - 36 officers
Age 51 to 60 - 23 officers
Age 61 to 65 - none
Over 65 - 1 officer
Ages Unknown - 8 officers

GENDER OF LOST OFFICERS

Female Officers - 7
Male Officers - 158
*Total Officers listed on copadorer memorial page 2005 - 165
Total Officers lost in 2005 - 149

*This total will always be greater then the number of officers deaths in 2005 -
Some of the names listed on the web site were retired or disabled officers that did not die in the Line of Duty.

RANKINGS OF LOST OFFICERS

Police Officer - 65
Deputy Sheriff - 33
Captain of Chief of Police - 2
Sheriff - 2
Sergeant - 14
Lieutenant - 1
Corporal - 2
Dispatcher - 1
Detective - 7
Trooper - 4
State Police - 2
Highway Patrol - 1
Corrections Officer - 5
Ranger/Forestry - 3
Motorcycle Officer - 2
Special Agent - 7
Federal Agent - 2
Constable - 1
Mounted Police - 4
K9 Officer - 1
Narcotics - 1
Parole Officer - 1
Reserve Officer - 1
Retired Officer - 1

CHILDREN OF LOST OFFICERS

236 children lost parents

2 wives are expecting births

59 known to be daughters

70 known to be sons

30 grandchildren lost grandparents

This does not include listings where children's gender were not known and its not specific, only information I have from postings.

Notes of Interest:

No officers of the age of 25 or 30 are listed.

Three officers were engaged, 110 were married, 52 marital status unknown.

Eight officers listed were Off Duty when they were killed.

Two officers were killed when suspects went to the officers homes.

One officer died from drinking too much water during training.

March was the worst month for deaths - 21 deaths.

Eight officers have family that work on the job also.

Rookie of the Year 2004 was killed in Washington.

One officer had his father with him on ride along, both were killed.

One officer also had a brother in law killed this year.

One officer was killed when his best friend played a joke on him.

One officer was killed by her spouse.

One officer was killed by a 12 year old girl.

Alaska has no deaths listed for 2005.



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The National Crime Prevention Council offers you the opportunity to apply for grants of up to \$500 through its Teens, Crime, and the Community initiative. This is the second deadline for these grant applications.

The grants will support service-learning projects planned and implemented by youth who identify needs and create projects to address or prevent crime, violence, and drug abuse in their schools and communities. These grants are intended to encourage and promote crime prevention, community service, and civic responsibility.

Attached you will find the guidelines and application form. If you have any questions, please contact Belen Pereira, at bpereira@ncpc.org or 202-261-4152. (ed: The attachment of the form was included, but permissions were passcoded, therefore the app could not be provided here, contact the author below if you need this application)

Belen Pereira
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202-261-4152
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Looking for participants - "players" individual and/or sponsored teams and those willing to donate prizes etc.
 This is the **first annual** Sheriff's Golf Tournament for the Drug Abuse Resistance Education (D.A.R.E.) Program in Bexar County. Sheriff Ralph Lopez is doing this fundraiser solely for the benefit of the D.A.R.E. Program. The Sheriff's wife - Nancy Lopez is the event coordinator. Please help D.A.R.E. and thereby help us to continue to save, educate and train our children to make safe and healthier decisions through the direct benefit of the D.A.R.E. Program.

Please pass this on to your friends that are golfers!

Sincerely: George D. Little, D.A.R.E. Coordinator - Bexar County

SHERIFF'S ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT

Tournament will benefit the Bexar County DARE Program- Tax ID #74 2564308

DOMINION GOLF CLUB Monday, June 26, 2006

Registration & Mexican Brown Bag Breakfast (hot tortillas made while you wait!!) 7:30 a.m. - 8:30 a.m.
Shotgun/Scramble Start 8:45 A.M.

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| GOLD | \$1500 | -6 players |
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Ralph Lopez Campaign Office, 4322 Blanco Rd, Ste. 1, S.A. Texas, 78212

or fax to: 732-6023 email: philo@texas.net

For Information or to reserve spaces, call: Nancy L. Lopez 833-9304

REGISTRATION FORM

LEVEL OF SUPPORT:

___ Gold Sponsor \$1500 ___ Silver Sponsor \$1000 ___ Individual \$200

PLAYER ONE

Name: _____ **Address:*** _____

Phone: _____ **Email:** _____ **Fax:** _____

***Include Street, State, zip** **golf shirt size:** _____ **Handicap:** _____

PLAYER TWO

Name: _____ **Address:*** _____

Phone: _____ **Fax:** _____ **Email:** _____

Size: _____ **Handicap:** _____

PLAYER THREE

Name: _____ **Address:*** _____

Phone: _____ **Fax:** _____ **Email:** _____

Size: _____ **Handicap:** _____

PLAYER FOUR

Name: _____ **Address:*** _____

Phone: _____ **Fax:** _____ **Email:** _____

Size: _____ **Handicap:** _____

Linda Furlow - The older I get, the more I enjoy Saturday mornings. Perhaps it's the quiet solitude that comes with being the first to rise, or maybe it's the unbounded joy of not having to be at work. Either way, the first few hours of a Saturday morning are most enjoyable.

A few weeks ago, I was shuffling toward the basement ham-shack with a steaming cup of coffee in one hand and the morning paper in the other. What began as a typical Saturday morning turned into one of those lessons that life seems to hand you from time to time.

Let me tell you about it.

I turned the dial up into the phone portion of the band on my ham radio in order to listen to a Saturday morning swap net. Along the way, I came across an older sounding chap, with a tremendous signal and a golden voice. You know the kind; he sounded like he should be in the broadcasting business. He was telling whomever he was talking with something about "A Thousand Marbles." I was intrigued and stopped to listen to what he had to say.

"Well, Tom, it sure sounds like you're busy with your job. I'm sure they pay you well but it's a shame you have to be away from home and your family so much. Hard to believe a young fellow should have to work sixty or seventy hours a week to make ends meet.

Too bad you missed your daughter's dance recital," he continued. "Let me tell you something that has helped me keep a good perspective on my own priorities." And that's when he began to explain his theory of "A Thousand Marbles."

"You see, I sat down one day and did a little arithmetic. The average person lives about seventy-five years. I know, some live more and some live less, but on average, folks live about seventy-five years." "Now then, I multiplied 75 times 52 and I came up with 3900, which is the number of Saturdays that the average person has in their entire lifetime."

"Now, stick with me, Tom, I'm getting to the important part.

It took me until I was fifty-five years old to think about all this in any detail," he went on, "and by that time I had lived through over

twenty-eight hundred Saturdays. I got to thinking that if I lived to be seventy-five, I only had about a thousand of them left to enjoy. So I went to a toy store and bought every single Marble they had. I ended up having to visit three toy stores to round up 1000 Marbles. I took them home and put them inside a large, clear plastic container right here in the shack next to my gear."

"Every Saturday since then, I have taken one Marble out and thrown it away. I found that by watching the Marbles diminish, I focus more on the really important things in life. There is nothing like watching your time here on this earth run out to help get your priorities straight."

"Now let me tell you one last thing before I sign-off with you and take my lovely wife out for breakfast. This morning, I took the very last Marble out of the container. I figure that if I make it until next Saturday then I have been given a little extra time. And the one thing we can all use is a little more time."

"It was nice to meet you, Tom, I hope you spend more time with your family, and I hope to meet you again here on the band. This is a 75 Year Old Man, K9NZQ, clear and going QRT, good morning!"

You could have heard a pin drop on the band when this fellow signed off. I guess he gave us all a lot to think about. I had planned to work on the antenna that morning, and then I was going to meet up with a few hams to work on the next Club Newsletter. Instead, I went upstairs and woke my wife up with a kiss. "C'mon honey, I'm taking you and kids to breakfast!" "What brought this on?" she asked with a smile.

"Oh, nothing special, it's just been a long time since we spent a Saturday together with the kids. And hey, can we stop at a toy store while we're out? I need to buy some Marbles..."

A friend sent this to me, so I to you, my friend. And so, as one smart bear once said... "If you live to be a hundred, I want to live to be a hundred minus one day, so I never have to live without you." - Winnie the Pooh.

Pass this on to all of your FRIENDS, even if it means sending it to the person that sent it to you. And if you receive this E-mail many

times from many different people, it only means that you have many FRIENDS. And if you get it but once, do not be discouraged for you will know that you have at least one good friend .. And that would be ME.

Love to all of you. Go get your marbles today.

Martha Mabry - Hello Everyone,

I would like to thank everyone that was able to attend and make Midwinter 2006 in Richardson a success. For those that missed it, I will give a short recap:

The Richardson Hotel was a nice facility to hold the conference at and we will be back in Summer of 2007 (unless they agree to move it to Summer 2008 and let Corpus Christi host). One of the highlights was the large hospitality room in which members were able to sit down, relax, and network with each other.

Vickie Stonaker (NTCPA and TCPA 2nd VP) did a great job in juggling the classes as we did have a hiccup when the hotel realized that some of the rooms were double booked. Only a few instructors cancelled at the last minute and Vickie was right there with substitute classes. I heard excellent reviews/remarks about the instructors/classes and we even had a demonstration by Ace on their security film. If you have not seen what the security film can do, you will be quite impressed.

Speaking of vendors, we had: Ace, Elocksys, and Texas Auto Theft Prevention Authority.

The membership meeting went well and it was voted that we will do a 3-day Midwinter in 2007. We are actively looking for a place/hotel to hold it. Traditionally, Regions hosted the Summers with a 60/40 split and TCPA did the Midwinters. A great suggestion was made in doing hosting for both with the 60/40 split - I think it would be beneficial to TCPA as a whole and will run it past the Board.

We learned that the Chief's Association has discussed the idea of moving NNO to a more feasible time of year but they felt that it should be a matter for TCPA to handle. I think this will be a great round table topic for us at the Summer conference.

We had two members passed the CCPS test - Lita Snellgrove(NTCPA) and Yvonne Tao (NTCPA). I also appointed a Civilian at Large - April Layton (TCTCPA) of Texas Auto Theft Prevention Authority. Speaking of which, visit their website: <http://www.dot.state.tx.us/atpa/> for lots of good information. Artie Woods (TCTCPA) has agreed to Chair the Awards Committee and nominations can be sent to him at (Artie says he doesn't do the computer thing):

Archer County Sheriff's Dept, c/o Artie Woods, 1615 Buchanan, Wichita Falls, TX 76309

Beth Hish (AACPA) has indicated that she is resigning her position as 3rd VP. D'yan Lopez (STCPA) (dyanlopez@hotmail.com 361-886-2780) has agreed to step forward (once it is official) to fill as interim. In the meantime, she will be assuming the duties of the newsletter. Please get her your Region update if you have not already sent one to Beth. Laura "Kat" Tobias(AACPA) has agreed to Chair the Nomination Committee. Elections that will be held this summer are: President, Secretary, 2nd VP, and Membership. We will also have to fill the 3rd VP for the one year remainder of term.

The Bylaw Committee met at the conference and picked three areas that need updating ASAP due to constant issues.

They are:

1. Rework the Membership classes
2. Revamp the affiliation section
3. Dues increase (it has been suggested a \$1 a month increase which equates to \$12 more - this will give a 18/18 split)

Now we are coming up to Summer of 2006 (July 17 -21)- Farmer's Branch Omni

This is what we need to make it a success...

1. Instructors and class suggestions. We have a lot of talent and resources in TCPA, please drop Vickie Stonaker a note at: ntcpa.1@juno.com
2. Vendors - invite people in the industry to set up a booth and have them contact Dickie Thomas (NTCPA) at:

dthomas@co.colling.tx.us or 972-547-5167

3. Sponsors - ask local business to help sponsor breaks/lunch/dinner – it can be as little as \$25, it all adds up. Regions can also sponsor \$500 for continental breakfasts too!
4. Invite your boss / coworker / or other people you know to attend
5. Door Prizes - start collecting them now
6. Call the hotel now and reserve your room: Omni Dallas Hotel at Park West, 590 LBJ Freeway, Dallas, Texas 75234
www.omnihotels.com 214-442-2133 CODE: TCPA Room rate: \$80.00

Here is what I need from Regions as the new TCPA website is almost ready to go live:

1. Update on who the new 2006 Regional Officers are.
2. The link to your website

I also need a copy of the bylaws for the following Regions – Rocky Mountain, Central Texas, East Texas, West Texas, and South Texas – Thanks to North Texas, Chisholm Trail, Texas Gulf Coast, and Alamo for submitting a copy.

Again, thanks to everyone for your effort in making TCPA a success!

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Martha L. Mabry - Greetings to all from Cowtown - Hope this finds each of you doing well.

One of the first items receiving priority when Jon Matherne took office as President of TCPA was to create a By-Laws Committee to discuss bringing the current By-Laws up to date. During the last TCPA Conference, a By-Laws Committee Meeting was held, and one of the major topics discussed was membership issues. Each of you as Regional Membership Chairpersons, make up the Membership Committee with myself, as TCPA Membership Chairperson, the Committee Chairperson. As a Membership Committee, we have been asked to look at three issues concerning TCPA membership. I ask each of you to form your thoughts in a manner that will benefit TCPA as a whole. So, here's the issues:

- Membership

Current membership types allow for: Active, Sponsor, Honorary and Life. There is no provision in the By-Laws for "Dual" membership (joining more than one Region). Should this be recognized by TCPA or not? There is some difference of opinion as to whether the By-Laws allows one to be a member of TCPA without joining a Region. Yes or no? The current By-Laws do not offer any criteria for becoming a "Life" member. What should the criteria be?

- Dues Increase

Proposed increase from \$24 per year to \$36 per year effective Jan. '07.

(Region would still get 50% of dues) Yes or no?

- Regional Issues

Currently, there is no provision for a hosting Region to receive a 40/60 split in proceeds for hosting a mid-winter conference, as is done for the summer conference. Proposal has been made that the split applies to both conferences. Yes or no? Currently, there is no provision in the By-Laws that stipulates that TCPA By-Laws supercede Regional By-Laws. Proposal has been made to add this to the By-Laws. Yes or no?

These are the three issues to be discussed over the next couple of months and then proposed for By-Law changes at the July conference. Please put some serious thought into how each will effect TCPA as a whole. As the Chairperson of the Membership Committee, the only one I need your response to is the Membership issues: allowing Dual membership, allowing no Regional affiliation and developing a criteria for Life membership. Please prepare your response to these three issues and have it to me no later than February 24th. Thanks a bunch and hope to hear from each of you real soon!

AACPA Meeting held December 20, 2005 at Arcadiana

1st VP Report

Office Vacant, no report

2nd VP Report - Laura "Kat" Tobias: There will be future training in OSHA, CPR, and Airborne Pathogens. Our members will have the opportunity to benefit from this training and it looks like seating will be limited, so keep your eyes and ears open for future classes. Any suggestions are always welcomed, please e-mail radgirl@satx.rr.com

Treasurer's Report - Don Carr: A motion was made to pay \$255 for November's newsletter, Jerry Cowan motioned and Barbara Lowe gave the second motion. Motion passed. Note: November's newsletter invoice was higher due to the mail out to all members in order to increase December's attendance. A motion was made to pay \$62.02 for December's newsletter, Jerry Cowan motioned and "Kat" gave the second motion. Motion passed.

TCPA Summer training: George sent bill to pay for his part of the training. Our portion of the 60% came to \$1,872. John motioned and Anna Cleave gave the second motion. Motion passed.

Don Carr requested all to pay their 2006 membership in a timely manner.

A motion was made by Barbara Lowe to accept the Treasurer's report. John gave the second motion. Motion passed.

Law Enforcement Report - Tim Kolbe: No report (Absent)

Military Report - Richard Green: No report

Civilian Report - Anna Cleave: \$75,400+ was raised at the South Park Mall KONO radio-thon Westside COP's cover the area of Lowe's on 151 & 410 to Ingram Park Mall

Old Business None

New Business Jerry Cowan gave information that Ingram Park Mall has a record for a high crime factor. His experience has been that there have been a couple of stand offs with gangs and there is information that person(s) have had to pull their service weapon.

Kudos to Richard Green and Don Carr in helping SAPD to catch M/V burglars in progress! Motive is to pop the lock, then return later to enter the vehicle.

There was a forum in order to vote for offices that were vacant or termed. Results are as follows:

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| 1 st V.P. | Laura "Kat" Tobias |
| 2 nd V.P. | Jerry Cowan |
| Secretary | Postponed until next meeting |
| Treasurer | Postponed until next meeting |

Gifts were exchanged and discussion on dual membership followed. It was great to spend time with friends of AACPA and to wish each other a safe and healthy new year.

There will be no January meeting due to Mid-Winter conference in Richardson, TX.

Next meeting will be on February 21, 2006. Location and time: TBA

Suggestions were made to have speakers at every meeting in effort to raise meeting attendance. A great future suggestions were:

- COP
- SAPD on Internet Child Pornography
- Making a Power Point in promoting AACPA
- Business Crime Prevention Association
- 100 Club
- Invites to the new City Manager, Juvenile Judge, and the new Chief of Police

Minutes taken by: Barbara Lowe, Submitted by: Laura "Kat" Tobias