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Presidents Corner

By Bobby Williamson, Dyersburg PD

Well, the year is going by so fast and the TACP is very busy getting ready for the Annual Conference that will be our 35th Anniversary in Memphis August 3rd through the 6th. I want to share some things will you.

Governor Bredesen signed Methamphetamine legislation "**METH FREE TENNESSEE ACT OF 2005**" on March 30, 2005. The TACP was commended on their commitment to take a position to combat the growing problem that meth has become. This is an evil drug with a heinous addictive element. Please look at the website for all the information surrounding the METH bill at www.methfreetn.com.

Here are a few updates for you:

- ❑ The Board of Directors approved a 3 year TACP Strategic Business Plan. That was presented at the April Board meeting. Please contact Maggi if you would like a copy of it.
- ❑ I am asking you to continue to recruit new members for our 2005 Membership Drive. I extended the deadline to June 1st. I need your help to bring in law enforcement agencies that are not currently members of the TACP. The office sent letters out to each non-member agency. That list will be available on the website the Membership heading on May 13th. Please use the MEMBERSHIP DRIVE FORM in the newsletter and the girls in the office will gladly assist you if you have questions.
- ❑ The TACP will be awarding a scholarship to a Chief of Police who would like to attend the Southeastern Command and Leadership Academy (SECLA). The scholarship will include housing (double occupancy, Sunday-Thursday evenings); course materials; and hotel breakfast Monday-Friday (lunch and dinner are not provided). The class starts July 11th and candidates attend 1 week a month and graduate on Jan. 13th, 2006. College or graduate level credit is available. Please contact the office if you are interested in applying for the scholarship. Deadline for applying has been extended to May 23rd. The recipient of the **scholarship** will be announced at the June meeting. Information is on the website.
- ❑ Dayton Police Chief Kenneth Walker retired and became a lifetime member of the TACP.
- ❑ Retired Chattanooga Police Chief Jimmie Dotson has moved to Houston, Texas. His address is: Jimmie and Elsa Dotson
67 North Walden Elms Circle
The Woodlands, TX 77382
Home (281) 298-1311
- ❑ Nolensville Chief Jeff Goforth will be leaving his post to take a job at ATF the middle of May.

April Business Meeting Minutes – April 8, 2005 – 8:00am

Chief Bobby Williamson called the meeting to order. The invocation was given by Chief Glenn Chrisman and the pledge was led by Retired Chief and Past President Joe Casey. A motion was made by Chief Chrisman to approve the February minutes and the motion was approved.

Commissioner Fred Phillips, Commissioner of Public Safety, spoke on some legislation on retirement of Dept. of Safety. Under the current system, if you are non-supervisory, the retirement age is 60 and supervisors is 65. The legislation is to consolidate into one age of 62. Next year, might be looking at age 55, 25 years with a bridge and out. TACP needs to work with TCRS. Department of Safety does not think the bill will come out of committee but will go to a study committee.

TBI Director Mark Gwyn spoke. TBI is in the process of distributing the intoximeters statewide. Also TBI got a grant to update the AFIS for TBI. This will benefit local agencies.

Donnie Young, with the US Dept. of Homeland Security, distributed brochure that provides information on the information analysis program.

There is a Homeland Security Conference in Memphis on May 6 hosted by Congressman Harold Ford, Jr.. Information was given out on the conference regarding a statewide strategy for homeland security.

The Meth legislation was signed by Governor Bredesen on March 30th. Members received a copy of the legislation by email and a copy was distributed at the meeting.

The TACP Annual conference will be in Memphis on August 3-6 at the Memphis Marriott Downtown Hotel.

The membership drive has been extended to June 1. We currently have more than 500 members.

Information is in the packet on providing a scholarship to a TACP member to attend the SECLA Command College. There is an application to be completed and returned to the TACP by April 29th. The winner will be announced at the June meeting.

Director Larry Godwin gave the Public Safety Coalition report. The statewide pawnshop bill is in the legislature this session. The thumbprint requirement of the pledgor is the major change. On the domestic violence bill, violators will be given probation for up to 2 years. Also, when you get information from the TACP regarding legislation, you need to send emails/letters to your representatives. The legislators appreciate hearing from you. He also mentioned the annual conference and extended an invitation to members to come to Memphis and enjoy themselves. A lot of activities are being planned for the members and their families.

Ms. Duncan gave the membership report. There are 359 paid members and other status members for a total of 506 members. There are 22 new members applying for membership. A request has been made by Ret. Chief Kenneth Walker for lifetime membership.

Ret. Chief Phil Keith and Chief Chuck Ziegler gave the Legislative report. Packets were distributed to the members. There are a couple of bills that are moving including the pawnshop bill, domestic violence, and child sexual exploitation and assault on a police officer. The Police Officer Bill of Rights, HB707, will be on the floor on Monday so send word to your representative.

Financial Oversight report was given by Glenn Chrisman. The balance on December 31, 2004 was \$24,212.40. After expenditures and revenues, the balance at the end of January 31, 2005 was \$10,091.02 and the balance at the end of February 28, 2005 was \$16,599.36. There is \$17,199.40 in reimbursement from grants that is outstanding. The Leadership Endowment Fund has a balance of \$52,769.63.

Chief Gil Kendrick gave the Futures II report. The committee is looking at the training for field training officers and to develop a FTO program at minimal costs. There is a program offered through the Mid South Training Academy. TLETA will also be offering a FTO program in August. Space is limited. Another issue is the Futures II committee is looking at the retirement system. At the next meeting, the TCRS will be hosting a breakout session to Chiefs to learn more about the retirement system. Please sign up to attend with the TACP office. There is a HB101/SB539 concerns other employment after retirement. If you retire from the state, you can work with other political agencies. If you are in local government and under the TCRS, you cannot go work for another political entity without jeopardizing your retirement. This bill will allow you to seek other employment with a political entity without jeopardizing your TCRS pension.

Under the SACOP report, the IACP is looking at distance learning and audio-visual training being made more available to law enforcement agencies. They are also going to get additional information to the members on free training. Also, the IACP is looking at national marketing for law enforcement in a positive manner. Also, there is concern about patch trading on the internet and the fact that many are being traded and sold on the internet. Identity theft is a big concern. IACP is looking at unsolicited credit cards. A resolution was made to send information to all Congressional delegates stressing the need to reinstate Byrne/JAG/VOCA funding to law enforcement.

TBI will be selling 4 prisoner transport vans that are completely finished and have about 12,000 miles. They are available to sell. Contact David Midgett at TBI at 615.744.4000.

Leadership and Membership development – Ret. Chief Phil Keith talked about the policies and guidelines for the expenditure of funds under the Leadership Endowment Fund. The balance is currently at \$52,769.63. He introduced the Leadership Challenge to membership. He encourages all departments to use drug funds or personal funds to provide some funding to the Leadership Endowment. A letter will be sent out to all members asking them to give. Chief Keith will be donating \$1000 annually to the TACP to the Leadership Endowment fund.

Chief Jack Cotrel gave the University committee report. This group has been meeting regularly and talked about similar problems on campuses. Date rape on campus is a problem. Many times, women won't prosecute in the criminal system but will go through school disciplinary procedures. The issue is how to develop a database on predators that jump from campus to campus. They are working with their legal staff. Also, the issue of TIBERS audits is a problem.

There were no reports from the Amber committee, ethics and standards committee, E911 Advisory, False Alarms, or by-laws committee.

The Training committee has developed a training program through TML on risk management that will be given across the state with Randy Means as the instructor. Information has been distributed to members. Call the TACP office to sign up.

A motion was made to approve the committee reports and the motion carried.

A motion was to adjourn to the June meeting. Motion carried and the meeting was adjourned.

TACP June Meeting

June's scheduled Training/Business Meeting of the TACP will be on **June 1st, 2nd, and 3rd** at the **Sheraton Nashville Downtown Hotel** (Please call the Office if you need directions).

Schedule for June Meeting

June 1st, Wednesday

4:00-6pm **Police Chiefs Forum & Roundtable** TML Board Room

(The TML Board Room is located across from the hotel entrance to the parking garage elevator.)

June 2nd, Thursday

9:00 – 10:30 am **Board of Directors Meeting** TML Board Room

****Note time change**

1:00 – 1:30pm **TRAINING** Ballroom 4 – Sheraton
Memphis Convention and Visitors Bureau

1:30 – 2:00pm **“Portal & Automated Final Disposition Reporting”**
by Ann Lynn Walker and Fausto Vega,
Administrative Office of the Courts

2:00 – 4:30pm **“Gang Awareness”**
by George Campbell

5:00pm-?? Hospitality Suite Suite 2505
Sponsored by Kay, Federal Signal, & Stalker Radar

June 3rd, Friday

8am TACP Business Meeting Ballroom 4-Sheraton

9– 9:30am **TRAINING** Ballroom 4-Sheraton
“False Alarm Management Program”
by Ret. Chief Glen Mowrey, Law Enforcement Liason SIAC

9:30- 11:00am **“Lottery Security: How Can We Help Law Enforcement”**
by David Jennings, Vice President of Security

Reservations may be made by calling the Sheraton at 1-800-447-9825 or 615-259-2000.

The deadline for making TACP Block reservations is Wednesday, May 18th!

The TACP meeting rate is \$82 a night and self-parking at the hotel is \$5.00 per day.

Please contact us if you have any questions, concerns or problems booking your hotel room. We look forward to seeing you at the JUNE meeting.

FUTURE 2005 TACP MEETING DATES

August 3rd – 6th Annual Conference at Memphis
Marriott Downtown Hotel

October 5th – 7th Sheraton Nashville Downtown Hotel

November 30th - December 2nd Sheraton Nashville
Downtown Hotel

TACP BOOKS HOTEL ONLINE

Sheraton Hotel Online Booking Instructions

1. Go to http://www.starwood.com/sheraton/meetings/attend_enter_code.html to get to the “Attend a Meeting” page.

If this link does not work, go to www.sheraton.com. Click on “Meeting Planners” on the tan menu bar at the bottom of the page. Click “Attend a Meeting” on the left side of the next page. This will bring you to the “Attend a Meeting” Page.

2. When you are on the “Attend a Meeting” page, you must fill in the meeting information. The City and Meeting Code fields are mandatory. Please enter City (Nashville), State/Province (Tennessee), Country will default (United States) and Meeting Code (listed at bottom). When the information is complete, click Continue.
3. You will come to the “Search Results” page. You should see the Sheraton Nashville Downtown Hotel listed first. Click on the “Select” button to the right of the hotel listing.
4. You should now be on the “Enter Your Preferences” page. You should see the name of the hotel, Sheraton Nashville Downtown Hotel and the meeting code you entered. Enter your check-in and check-out dates for the convention, Room Information and Preferences. When you have entered the information, click Continue. If room selections are not returned, search again using “No Preferences” to widen the search.
5. This will take you to the “Reserve a Room” page. Choose your room from the list of room types. You may click on “Rate Details” to see details of your room type and rate. When you are ready to book your room, click the “Reserve” button.
6. Now you should see the “Reserve Rooms” page. Please enter your personal information. You may enter either a fax number, or an e-mail address, and a copy of your reservation will be sent to you. When you have completed this information, press Continue. This will bring up a confirmation page with your confirmation number. Please make note of this number for your records.
7. If you have any difficulties booking your reservation online, you may also contact Central Reservations at 1-800-325-3535 to book the TACP meeting. When calling, please ask the representative for the group number you entered.

List of 2005 meeting dates and the Meeting Codes:

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| 1.) June 1-3 | Meeting Code: 3713 |
| 2.) October 5-7 | Meeting Code: 3559 |
| 3.) November 30 – Dec. 2 | Meeting Code: 3870 |

TACP Members.....

Please make a note that the TACP office will be closed May 30th to observe Memorial Day as a holiday.

Thanks! --Maggi and Emily

APRIL NEW MEMBERS

Chief Joe Johnson, Smyrna Airport Authority P.D.

Mr. Jim Kelly, Laser Atlanta LLC

Mr. Randy Queen, GM Fleet

Mr. James Overton, Dillard Door & Securities, Inc.

Mr. Gary Yates, ProTech Monitoring

Captain Bobby Dodd, Chattanooga P.D.

Mr. Jeff Jones, Glock, Inc.

Chief Seth Norris, Watertown P.D.

Captain Todd Henry, Metro Nashville P.D.

Lieutenant Gary Holliday, Knoxville P.D.

Chief Esley Shelton, Ethridge P.D.

Mr. Kevin Doyle, Systems Unlimited, Inc.

Assistant Chief Gerald Templeton, Bristol P.D.

Captain Jeannie Snyder, Chattanooga P.D.

Assistant Chief Danny Pippin, Volunteer State Community College P.D.

Ms. Judy Johns, Governor's Office of Homeland Security

Special Agent My Harrison, FBI-Memphis

Chief Lantz Biles, Austin Peay State University PSD

Captain Kenneth Brady, Columbia P.D.

Chief Chris Sneed, Dayton P.D.

Director Terry White, Belmont University Campus Security

Director Kenneth Masterson, Fed Ex Carrier P.D.

Chief Kevin Nation, Westmoreland P.D.

Lifetime Memberships Converted:

Chief Kenneth Walker, Dayton PD

Membership information and application are available on the website at www.tacp.org under the heading MEMBERSHIP.

Non-Member Agencies will be listed here as well. Please do your part to recruit the non-member agencies near you. You are the best representative for the TACP.