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CONVENTION NEWS

Are You Ready For Convention. Let's take a look. Begin the day on July 19th at 10:00 a.m. with the TCPAAA Golf Tournament, if you are one to chase the little white ball around. Exhibit Booth Set-Up starts at 12:00p till 5:00p. Check-In/Registration is from 3:00p-5:00p.

Ice Breaker at the Richardson Civic Center begins at 7:00p. Here you will find music, food, cash bar and a large welcome to the convention. The winner of the State logo contest will be announced and our new logo unveiled. This is going to be a good party so get there on time and enjoy yourself.

July 20th will begin at 7:00a with Registration and Exhibit Hall Opening. 7:30a-8:00a Continental Breakfast. From the Keynote Speaker, Richardson Police Chief Larry Zacharias, through the rest of the day you will be educated with classes: Secure Continuous Remote Alcohol Monitor, DNA, Child Exploitation, 501(c)3 designation from the IRS. Lunch will feature Vic Cunningham from Texas 7 as Keynote Speaker. After lunch it will be back to class: Cold Case Solved, Forensic Computer Investigation, and How to start a CPA Alumni. From 3:30p-5:30p in the Ballroom you will not want to miss the High Profile-Space Shuttle Recovery with NASA Astronaut Jim Reilly, FBI SSRA Pete Galbraith, and FBI SSRA Jeff Millsagle. What a day!! It is Dinner Time.

FROM 6:00p until Midnight you will want to visit the Hospitality Event Hosted by Austin CPAAA in the Hospitality Suite, and get a glimpse of the 2007 Convention that will be held in Austin. If they do the hospitality suite like they do a convention you will not want to miss dropping by for the food and fun.

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**JUNE 24TH
BOARD
MEETING
IN
GARLAND
LOCATION
TO
BE
ANNOUNCED**



TCPAAA STATE
CONVENTION
HOST
GARLAND/RICHARDSON
AT
THE RICHARDSON HOTEL
JULY 19-22, 2006
Visit
www.tcpaaconvention.org
For More Details

This is just the first day. I am having a difficult time deciding what class to go to, and what event not to miss. Got your appetite for fun, food and education wet? Go to www.tcpaaconvention.org to see the rest, and make plans for the Banquet on Saturday evening. Dorris Murdock and the Garland/Richardson CPAAA Group has done an outstanding job preparing this convention and making your stay a memorable one.

Get those reservations in and meet us all in Garland/Richardson. This is where we meet new friends, see old friends, find out what is going on around the state, and go home with a wealth of knowledge.

You may have seen the following email—just an example of what MORE is on the agenda.....

Dear TCPAAA Convention Friends,

The Garland and Richardson Citizen Police Academy Alumni Associations are currently planning the 14th Annual 2006 Texas Citizens Police Academy Alumni State Convention. The convention will be held **July 19-22** at the **Richardson Hotel in Richardson, Texas**. Approximately 400 law enforcement officers and private citizens from across Texas, are expected to attend.

Emphasizing the theme, **Common Ground**, the curriculum will focus on the diversity of people (community) and careers (law enforcement) and how they work together on *common ground*. Richardson and Garland are crossing geographical boundaries to create a synergy between its citizens and police with educating the community on law enforcement. Everyone is experiencing the opportunity to learn from one another and grow together on *common ground*. The result... we're building an even stronger alliance of community support for our officers.

The *Common Ground* theme is recognized throughout the planned curriculum. We expect our seminars and activities will produce the best convention ever! A number of high profile cases will be featured. Among them:

€ A Special Event Day includes a trip to the **JFK Museum** complemented by a “**living history**” examination by those who experienced it firsthand. The day will begin with transportation to Eddie Deen's Ranch and BBQ in downtown Dallas where we will lunch and hear a panel of speakers. Afterwards, we will reconvene minutes away at the Sixth Floor Museum. Here, the stories you just heard will come to life as you view the historical memorabilia from that tragic moment in history. Only \$10 per person for registrants (\$20 per guest) will reserve your spot for this extraordinary event. Don't forget to indicate your participation on the registration form.

€ **The Space Shuttle Columbia Recovery** will be chronicled by the East Texas FBI agents who initiated the Crisis Management Team. A NASA astronaut will also be in attendance to add to their story. We plan to recruit other involved agencies to share their perspective on how all these agencies worked together on *common ground* with the citizens of East Texas.

€ Larry Zacharias, Chief of Police, Richardson Police Department will profile the **Take-Over Bandits** case. This nationally publicized series of bank robberies will be portrayed from “shots fired”, to “the chase”, to the ultimate “apprehension of the bad guys”.

In addition to our seminars, classes will be offered on starting your own CPA, starting a CPA Alumni Association, the process of acquiring 501c3 status and the role of a CPA Coordinator. You won't want to miss the CPA Alumni Roundtable where several alumni will exchange ideas. Discussions will include a multitude of proven programs that have been successful in their respective associations and police departments.

Registration is \$75 per person and we're confident it's a terrific value. For additional information and to download your registration packet, please visit our website at <http://www.tcpaaconvention.org/>

Please note that our registration form has been revised. You can download a new form from our website. If you have trouble downloading the forms, please contact us and we will either email you the forms or send them via USPS mail.

See ya'll this summer!

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If you have not, and want to be a charter member of the new State Association be sure to get a membership application at

www.TexasCPAAA.org