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MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT



President, Carla Stone

Once again we enjoyed a successful Annual Texas Jail Association Education Conference. We returned to Austin for our 21st Anniversary. The Renaissance Austin was a very gracious host hotel, and we hope for continued success in the future.

We were glad to see all of the first time attendees along with all our faithful members that continue to support our association.

I am very excited to be serving as your President for the 2007-2008 year. As in the past, it is our goal to continue training across the state with the support of the Texas Association of Counties and the Texas Commission on Jail Standards.

A very special thanks to Past President Danny

Downes for his hard work to make this conference a success and his continued dedication to the association.

As always, Executive Director Sharese Hurst and her staff from Sam Houston State University did an outstanding job. We could not have made it without them.

Thanks to our Board of Directors for their hard work during the year in preparing for the conference and their continued support during the conference.

Also, thank you to the vendors that participated, and we hope to see them all return next year.

In closing, please remember all of the detention officers and street officers as they work each day to protect and serve. Also, please remember all of our military officers during these times.

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PAST PRESIDENT'S REMARKS



Past President, Danny Downes

The Texas Jail Association is a thriving organization with over 1,000 members. Bob Patterson put our status into perspective Tuesday morning, during the opening session, when he reported that the American Jail Association has a little over 4,000 members. This year, we have provided over 21,000 hours of training to nearly 1,200 people in our cooperative efforts with the Texas Commission on Jail Standards and Texas Association of Counties.

I want to thank some of the people who were supportive during my term as your President. First, I want to thank the Board, they have worked hard to make this an exceptional year for our Association. I want to thank my Sheriff Lupe Valdez for giving me the opportunity to fulfill my responsibilities as your President.

I want to thank Sheriff Larry Lynch and Captain Johnny Mynar, from McLennan County, for encouraging me to become active in this organization

and supporting me when I worked for them. I thank Sharese Hurst for all of her hard work and the uncanny ability of making me look good. Past President Kelly Rowe who through his own adversity has been there through thick and thin for me. My soul mate, Martha, who after 29 years of marriage, is still my most adamant supporter. Finally, the members of the Texas Jail Association, the best jail association in America, who trusted me to guide them through an amazing year.

Yes, it has been an awesome year, one I will not soon forget. It has been challenging beyond my wildest dreams, both personally and professionally. I have been blessed by many things during my professional career; I will always remember the people and the good times with fondness.

However, I must remember that this year has not been about me and it has not been about the Texas Jail Association, very simply, it has been about the women and men in our state working in detentions who we have the opportunity to serve. To you I say, I hope I have been a good steward of your trust and I thank you all for the opportunity to have served as your President.

PAST PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

The preceding were my remarks at the Annual Banquet and Business Meeting at the recent conference in Austin. I wanted to share my thoughts with those of you who were not able to attend.

Since the conference I have had some time to reflect on this last year and I have to say, I am humbled by the opportunity afforded me during the time I served as your President. Serving those in detentions is a remarkable privilege, one which I will continue to pursue throughout my career. I completely understand that my successes are due mostly to the efforts of the officers on the front lines, those who work through some of the most diverse and potentially hazardous situations faced by anyone in law enforcement.

It is important to note that the Officers and Board of Directors, Executive Director Sharese Hurst and her staff and many others behind the scenes were actively pursuing the same goal. As a result, we have

seen what turned out to be one of the most successful years in the 21 year history of our Association in terms of providing training opportunities to our membership. Cooperative regional training efforts with The Texas Association of Counties and The Texas Commission on Jail Standards, as well as the two annual conferences have continued to offer these opportunities. I am so proud to be associated with this group of professionals.

I don't want to be long winded, but I do want each of you to know that this year has meant a great deal to me. I am not sure I can reduce my feelings for this association and our men and women in detentions to words. Suffice it to say that I am highly honored to have served as your President and assure you that I plan to continue my service in the best jail association in America, the Texas Jail Association.

Danny Downes

MEMBERSHIP UPDATE

by
Mary Farley

Fellow Constituents,

As 2nd Vice President of the Texas Jail Association, I look forward to an exciting year of dynamic training. What makes training educational and entertaining is the officers that attend. You are invited and encouraged to submit ideas for future training topics to me. The needs of your county can be addressed by sharing these ideas and thoughts with the Texas Jail Association.

Training is an opportunity for getting individuals to take charge of their professional growth and development. Please continue to support the many training ventures that TJA pledges to offer with the partnership of the Texas Commission of Jail Standards and Texas Association of Counties.

When individuals learn what it means to be professional and are motivated to think and act professionally, they are more valuable as employees, co-workers and leaders in their agencies. Training is a “win-win” plan.

Training will:

- Increase productivity, performance and results;
- Improve safety and security within jails;
- Reinforce trust and respect among leaders and subordinates;
- Boost confidence and pride;
- Enhance the image and reputation of the agency; and,
- Make it easier to attract, train and retain top quality jailers.

With your continued support, we can accomplish the above goals that will inspire staff to do their best. We will nurture the New Generation X employees into a high level where everyone strives for excellence and exceptional performance.

Congratulations to all of the new board members and to all of those that participated in the elections. Enthusiastic participation is what makes this association successful. Regardless of the election results, we all benefit from each person's participation. Much luck and continued success to the departing boards members and thanks for a job well done.

Austin Conference May 2007

#464 Participants

#10,208 Training Hours

Sincerely Yours,



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KEY ISSUES DEADLINE DATES

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December 1, 2007 for January Publication

March 1, 2008 for April Publication

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21st ANNUAL SPRING CONFERENCE AT RENAISSANCE AUSTIN HOTEL A RESOUNDING SUCCESS

by
Danny Downes

Nearly 500 attendees and almost 100 vendors contributed to the highly successful 21st Annual Spring Conference of the Texas Jail Association held, for the first time, at the Renaissance Austin Hotel. This is a new venue for our annual business conference and the overwhelming response to the move has been very positive.

Program Overview

The conference was kicked off with the annual golf tournament hosted by the beautiful Riverplace Country Club and coordinated by Past President **Bob Patterson**. As usual the



tournament was well represented by association members and vendor representatives. During the same time the 2nd Annual Bunko Tournament was held at the host hotel. Monday afternoon Lieutenant **Dionicio Cortez**, with Cameron County Sheriff's Office presented "Gang Identification & Intelligence Gathering in Jails."



Opening ceremonies, Tuesday morning, began with the posting of the colors by the Lubbock County Sheriff's Office Honor Guard and our very own TJA Idol, Sheriff **Gary S. Henderson** from Hemphill County, sang the National Anthem. Afterwards Sheriff **Tim Helder** from Washington County Sheriff's Office in Fayetteville, Arkansas gave the invocation. TJA President **Danny Downes** delivered welcoming remarks to the participants. Travis County Sheriff **Greg Hamilton** welcomed TJA back to Austin. Next, Executive Director **Sharese Hurst**



addressed the assembly with her welcoming remarks. Keynote speaker **Dr. Margo Frasier** addressed the association on "Code of Silence or Code of Ethics?" After the

keynote address Major **Bob Patterson**, Past President of TJA and Past President of AJA, gave welcoming remarks and presented President **Downes** an award from the American Jail Association for his service as TJA President.

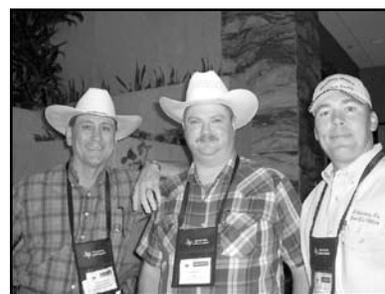


After a short break, 1st Vice-President **Carla Stone** introduced the candidates for the 2007-2008 Board of Directors. This was followed by Executive

Director of the Correctional Management Institute of Texas, **Doug Dretke's** presentation, "County Corrections 2007: The Big Picture-Challenges & Opportunities." Tuesday afternoon breakout sessions included: "What's The Big Deal About Strip Searches" presented by the Texas Association of Counties Law Enforcement Specialist **Steve Chalender**, "CR-43 & CJIS Training" by **Sheila**



Bledsoe from the Texas Department of Public Safety, "Employee Misconduct-What to Do and Not to Do"



by Law Enforcement Specialist **Carmella Smith** from Texas Association of Counties and "Jail Commission Update" presented by Executive Director of the Texas Commission



on Jail Standards, **Adan Munoz**, and his staff. Tuesday evening, everybody enjoyed food and fellowship in the Rio Grande Exhibit Hall during the President's

Reception where they had an opportunity to visit with our vendors.

On Wednesday, May 16, 2007, the day began with the popular Prayer Breakfast highlighting special guest, Sheriff **Tim Helder** from Washington County Arkansas in Fayetteville. (Sheriff Helder also graciously



gave the invocation at our opening ceremonies.) This breakfast was sponsored by Global Tel*Link. The Texas **Commission on Jail Standards' Courtroom Challenge** was in session all day Wednesday. In addition, a variety of breakouts were available to participants in both morning and afternoon sessions. **Nancy Baird**, specialist in



management training and organizational development, presented a popular "Customer Service" program. **Norm Hurst**, retired Chief from San Bernardino County

Sheriff's Department in California, talked about "Mental Health Issues and Suicide Prevention." Educational Consultant for the Deaf, **Eileen Baker** returned to present "Legal Implications for Deaf & Hard of Hearing Offenders in Corrections." Nationally recognized seminar presenter **Jim Dodson** provided participants a session on "Ethical Decision Making (Integrity & Ethics)."



Thursday, court was in session again with the Texas Commission on Jail Standards presiding over **Courtroom Challenge**. Breakout sessions

included: **J. Mark Warren**, Training Coordinator with the Texas Association of Counties presented, "The Secret- What Great Leaders Know-and Do." "Everything You Ever Wanted to Know About Employment Law" was presented by attorney **Sheila Gladstone**. Lieutenant **David Drosche** and Deputy **Jerome Losack**, from Brazos County Sheriff's Office, presented "Restraint Techniques." **James MacMillan**, Law Enforcement Specialist with the Texas Association of Counties, presented a program on "Jail F.T.O. Program;" and, "Goal Setting and Stress Reduction" by **Rodney Rash**, master motivator, rounded out the day.



Training was wrapped up on Friday when **Ruby Lehrmann**, retired from the United States Probation Office-Western District of Texas, presented "Team Building: From Line to Leader."

Election Results

During the conference an election was held for Third Vice President and two Directors positions on the Board of Directors.



David Drosche with the Brazos County Sheriff's Office was elected Third Vice President. David also graciously agreed to finish his

term out as Treasurer. **Scott Simonton** from Palo Pinto County was elected to fill one Director's position and **Terrisa Candelaria** from Midland County was reelected to serve in the other open Director position.

Appointments



Carmella Jones-Smith, Law Enforcement Specialist for the Texas Association of Counties returned as



Historian. Montgomery County Sheriff **Tommy Gage** was appointed as Director representing Sheriffs. **Steve Fisher** from Walker County Sheriff's Office was appointed Sergeant-At-

Arms. **Gary Pinkerton**, Jail Administrator from Smith County Sheriff's Office was appointed Chaplain. **Heather White** of Securus Technologies, Inc. was appointed the Vendor Representative. **Cindy Wood** of Kaufman County was chosen to be Secretary for the Association and **Jim Eiselstein** was appointed Parliamentarian.



Awards Banquet

On Thursday evening, May 17, 2007, the Texas Jail Association held the Annual Awards Banquet. The 2007 Hall of Fame award was presented to **Dan Beto**, retired Executive Director of the Correctional Management Institute of Texas. The first ever



Jerry Baggs Leadership Award was presented to **Randy Clark** of Collin County. The President's Award was presented to **Rachelle Arrington** for her dedication to the Association and her years of service as Secretary. The



Texas Commission on Jail Standards awarded trophies for the top three teams who won the Courtroom Challenge. The Commission awarded individual team member trophies, as well as a team trophy to be taken back to the respective agency. The winning team was also given the traveling Competition Plaque to be displayed at their agency

until next year's competition. This year's competition results were: 1st Place – Tom Green County Sheriff's Office with team members **Todd Allen** and **Billy Fiveash**; 2nd Place – Titus County Sheriff's Office with team members **Teresa Patterson** and **Michael Garcia**; and 3rd Place – Grayson County Sheriff's Office with team members **Karen Daniels** and **Larry Campbell**. **KiCorp** was recognized for their years of serving the Texas Jail Association and providing website services.



After the business meeting, entertainment was provided by **Rodney Rash**, comedy hypnotist, and **DJ Tunes**



Across Texas. We had some extremely talented participants participate in the first ever TJA Karaoke contest. The first place prize ended up being shared by Sheriff **Daniel Law** of Caldwell County and **Johnny Riley** of Angelina County.



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RANDY CLARK WINS THE FIRST JERRY BAGGS LEADERSHIP AWARD



Left to Right; Sheriff Terry G. Box, Assistant Chief Randy Clark.

The Texas Jail Association awarded the first Jerry Baggs Leadership Award to Collin County Sheriff's Office Assistant Chief **Randy Clark** at their 21st Annual Conference held in Austin.

The Jerry Baggs Leadership Award is given in recognition of **Jerry Baggs** who was instrumental in the creation of the Texas Jail Association and served as

its first President. Jerry Baggs' extraordinary leadership and vision combined with his true devotion to the field of county corrections serves as an example to all that follow his path. The award is presented to an individual employed in the field of county corrections who has demonstrated leadership and a sincere commitment to the professional advancement of county corrections.

Chief Clark has been the Detention Administrator since January 1997. He has 27 years of law enforcement experience and holds a Master Peace Officer Certification. He has worked in all aspects of the Sheriff's Office rising through the ranks to become the Jail Administrator.

Sheriff **Terry Box** stated, "I am very proud to have Randy as part of my staff. He is a professional in every sense of the word, dedicated to the Sheriff's Office and to the people of Collin County."

For more information about the award or the Texas Jail Association, contact Sharese Hurst at 936-294-1687.

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Miller Uniforms would like to congratulate the prize winners from the 21st Annual Texas Jail Association Conference. Below are the winners for our 2007 TJA Conference drawing.

1. Kenneth Hammack – Polk County Sheriff – 5.11 Polo
2. Micky Frizell – Collin County – Blauer Fleece
3. Kenneth Moore – Fannin County – 5.11 Organizer Kit
4. Gary Henderson – Hemphill County – Blauer Wind-stopper
5. Joe Zavesky – DeWitt County – 5.11 Tee-Shirt
6. Rachele Arrington – Kendall County – 5.11 Coffee Mug
7. Charles Barrett – TCLESE – 5.11 Water Bottle
8. Galan Wortham Sr – Fort Bend County – 5.11 Knife

2007 COURTROOM CHALLENGE RESULTS

by
Jonathan Hortman

The Texas Commission on Jail Standards would like to congratulate all of the participants in the Courtroom Challenge held May 16-17, 2007 at the 21st Annual TJA Conference in Austin, Texas. Several counties participated in the challenge, which tests the participants' knowledge of minimum Jail Standards.

Teams taking trophies this year were:



**1st Place - Tom Green County
Todd Allen & Billy Fiveash**



**2nd Place - Titus County
Teresa Patterson & Michael Garcia**



**3rd Place - Grayson County
Karen Daniels & Larry Campbell**

OUTGOING TJA PRESIDENT BRINGS HIS TROOPS AND HIS INFLUENCE GOES BEYOND THE MEMBERS OF TJA

by
Aimee Kramer

Dallas County was represented at the 21st Annual TJA Conference by front line officers. Five Detention Training Officers were selected to attend this year's TJA conference. Their dedication to training, innovative ideas and positive attitudes toward their jobs made them front runners in the selection process.

Myriam Esmundo, Deborah Islas, Lisa McCain, Mark Nessman and David Roberts agreed that the knowledge they gained from the conference, as well as the contacts they made, was far more than what they expected.

The training officer coordinator, **Aimee Kramer**, was very impressed with the knowledge possessed by all participants of the Courtroom Challenge. She hopes to have Dallas County make a strong showing next year.

Dallas County is lucky to have **Danny Downes** in their corner. He is truly a leader who has vision for the department as well as the individuals who work for him.

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Once you obtain your PID number, please forward it to me at sharese@shsu.edu, so that our TJA database can be updated. If you fail to provide your PID Number prior to the conclusion of our training, we will be unable to forward your continuing education hours to TCLEOSE. Thank you for your cooperation and assistance in this matter.

DAN BETO RECEIVED THE 2007 HALL OF FAME AWARD



During the Texas Jail Association's 2007 Annual Conference held in Austin on May 14-18, 2007, **Dan Richard Beto**, the founding Executive Director of the Correctional Management Institute of Texas, was recognized with the *Hall of Fame Award*. In presenting the award, TJA President **Danny Downes** cited Beto for his constant support of the Texas Jail Association and for the leadership he has provided to the corrections profession.

TJA Executive Director **Sharese Hurst** accepted the award for Beto, who was in Poland at the invitation of the Director General of the Polish Prison Service. Because he was going to be absent during the 2007 Annual Conference, Beto provided some written thoughts on this recognition:

When I was informed that I was the recipient of the Hall of Fame Award, I was surprised, humbled, and honored.

It is truly an honor to be recognized by the Texas Jail Association, a strong and vibrant organization that strives to advance the professionalism of county correctional officers and to provide leadership to the criminal justice system. I have enjoyed my relationship with the Texas Jail Association and I hope that this relationship will continue for many years to come.

Since I will be out of the country, I have sent Sharese Hurst, the Association's Executive Director, some brief remarks she can read in accepting the award for me. One thing I did not mention in

my acceptance remarks – and something Sharese would be reluctant to say – is that probably the greatest service I did for the Texas Jail Association was, with the approval of the Board of Directors, to name Sharese Hurst the Executive Director. She has done a fantastic job in forging a stronger alliance between the Association and Sam Houston State University. Too, she has been a quiet but effective servant-leader in her role as Executive Director, she has been a good steward of the Association's resources, and she has conducted the business of the Association in accordance with the wishes of the Board of Directors. I am so proud of what she has done in this role.

Words cannot adequately express how much this award means to me. Thank you so much for the honor you have bestowed on me with this recognition.

On June 12, 2007, Beto traveled to Dallas, Texas, to meet with Immediate Past President Downes and to personally thank him for honoring him with this award.

The Texas Jail Association offers the **Jim White Memorial Youth Scholarship** to a son, daughter, stepson, stepdaughter, or grandchild of an active Texas Jail Association member pursuing an academic degree at a college or university. In addition, the Texas Jail Association offers the **Jim White Memorial Law Enforcement Scholarship** to an active Texas Jail Association member pursuing a degree. These funds are managed by the Texas Jail Association for award to qualified individuals. The scholarships are awarded in the Spring and Fall of each year. For more information regarding these scholarships, please log onto www.texasjailassociation.com.

A HUGE THANK YOU TO ALL OF THE SPONSORS AND EXHIBITORS AT THE 21ST ANNUAL TEXAS JAIL ASSOCIATION CONFERENCE

by
Heather White

THANK YOU to the many vendors who exhibited at the Texas Jail Association's 21st Annual Spring Conference in Austin, Texas. We had a great turn out this year with 33 new vendors and nearly 500 attendees! We were so glad to see everyone there...your support really does make a difference for the association.

Mark your calendars now for the Texas Jail Management Conference in South Padre, August 20-23, 2007 at the Radisson Resort Hotel. There will be plenty of opportunity for you to make new contacts. This great conference really gives you the opportunity to spend quality time with customers and potential customers.

For future conference dates and additional information about exhibiting at Texas Jail Association Conferences, please visit www.texasjailassociation.com. We look forward to seeing you soon!

Heather White
2007-2008 TJA Vendor Representative
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SCOTT SIMONTON GETS ON BOARD

by
Lacie Morrison

PALO PINTO – Although he has served and represented Palo Pinto County for a number of years through various positions in law enforcement, Deputy Scott Simonton is expanding his sphere of representation at a statewide level.

On Thursday, Simonton was elected to the Texas Jail Association's board of directors by a landslide vote. He currently works in the Palo Pinto County Sheriff's Office as the facilities maintenance coordinator.

According to their website, the Texas Jail Association works "to bring together those concerned with or interested in the professional operation and administration of jails in the state of Texas; to advance professionalism through training, technical assistance, publications, peer interactions and conferences; to provide leadership in the development of professional standards, management practices, programs, and services and to advance the interests, needs and concerns of the membership."

Simonton's interest in becoming an active part of the association, he explained, started when he attended his first TJA conference last year.

"I was impressed with the way they ran the conference and the training," he said. "I wanted to be more involved in it."

Simonton explained that he had to submit a letter to TJA asking to be considered and Palo Pinto County Sheriff Ira Mercer also submitted a letter of his full support.

"From the time they told me I could run, I started sending out e-mails to each member. I made up flyers and cards. As soon as I hit the hotel door Sunday, I was campaigning," Simonton said.

He noted that some of his business cards he handed out contained hand-written messages from his children asking people to, "vote for my dad, please."

"A lot of people liked that," he remarked with a smile.

TJA Executive Director Sharese Hurst explained that Simonton was one of five candidates vying for two positions on the board. The other director voted on the board was Terrisa Candelaria, of Midland County. Candelaria was re-elected and has served a

number of years, Hurst noted. "We had quite a few small counties [running for a seat]."

She said the board is comprised of 22 members, 12 of which are elected. The current president of the association appoints the remaining 10 seats.

The votes were derived from members who attended the conference. Simonton's term is for three years and there isn't a limit on the number of terms a board member can serve.

"I support Scott's efforts because it is an important organization we deal with because they provide quality training and assistance, which will assist us in meeting the jail standards," Mercer commented. "It's going to be advantageous [for Palo Pinto County]. The time spent will certainly be worth the benefits we receive."

Hurst said, "We're very pleased to have him. He's extremely enthusiastic. He went out of his way [at the conference] to assist the board members already elected. ..."

"Scott is a blessing to the organization and we're so pleased that he chose to run for the Board of Directors."

Both Hurst and Mercer agreed that this is the first time a board member was elected from Palo Pinto County.

"In my opinion, this is an extremely important position for our county due to the association with the Texas Association of Counties (TAC) and the Sheriffs Association," said Mercer.

As a director, Simonton said his duties would entail assisting with all training and events sponsored by TJA. Simonton will also support TAC, the Sheriff's Association, the Chief Deputies Association and the Texas Commission on Jail Standards with facilitating training, among other things. Hurst noted that the board members also attend board meetings, work on committees and assist with conference hosting responsibilities.

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PROPOSED CHANGES TO MINIMUM JAIL STANDARDS AND OTHER NEWS FROM THE COMMISSION

by
Jonathan Hortman

The Texas Commission on Jail Standards would like to advise the counties of two proposed changes to Minimum Jail Standards. The first proposal would make reporting a jail escape to the Commission on Jail Standards a requirement. Jail Standard 269.4(a) currently says that a jail “should” report an escape within 24 hours. **The proposal changes this to require that a jail “shall” report an escape within 24 hours.** Escape forms can be downloaded from the agency’s website.

The second proposal would allow the counties the option of increasing the capacity of remote holding cells (most commonly used in courthouses) by calculating capacity based on the amount of seating in the cell. Under this proposal, counties may choose to continue using square footage in determining capacity, but would also have the option of using seating space to determine capacity. **The length of hold times would be 4 hours where capacity is determined by seating, and 8 hours where capacity is determined by square footage.** Both proposals have been submitted to the Texas Register for comments, and will be adopted once they have completed that process.

The Commission on Jail Standards has revised the population report form so that it is clearer and easier to understand. Areas that ask about inmates being housed for, or by, other counties now have room for the correct information to be added. Additionally, the form cleans up areas that ask about paper-ready inmates. Copies of the new form will be mailed to each facility, and will also be available on our website in mid-June.

Finally, the Governor signed House Bill 1780 into law on May 25, 2007. This bill changed the statutory requirement that counties submit copies of the jail commissary audit to the Commission on Jail Standards from quarterly to annually. Jail commissary audits will only need to be submitted to the agency on an annual basis.

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THE TEXAS JAIL ASSOCIATION'S Jail Management Issues Conference

AUGUST 20 - 23, 2007

Monday, August 20, 2007

8:00 am	Registration for Participants & Exhibitor Check-in	Sharese Hurst and TJA Board
8:45 am	Welcome	Carla Stone, President
9:00 am - 10:15 am	Orientation	Sharese Hurst, Executive Director
10:15 am - 4:00 pm	Verbal Judo for the Professional	Mark Warren
10:15 am - 10:45 am	Exhibit Showroom Open	
10:45 am - 12:00 pm	Break	
12:00 pm - 1:30 pm	Verbal Judo for the Professional (continued)	
1:30 pm - 2:30 pm	Lunch (on your own)	
2:30 pm - 3:00 pm	Excited Delirium & Other In-Custody Deaths	Carmella Smith, Steve Chalender & James MacMillan
3:00 pm - 4:00 pm	Break	
4:00 pm	Excited Delirium & Other In-Custody Deaths (continued)	
7:00 pm - 9:00 pm	Adjourn	
	Welcome Reception <i>(sponsored by the Radisson Resort)</i> <i>Spouse/Guest attendance is \$15 per person</i>	Poolside

Tuesday, August 21, 2007

8:30 am - 3:00 pm	Exhibitor Showroom Open	
8:30 am - 9:45 am	Leadership Challenge	Jim Dodson
9:45 am - 10:15 am	Break	
10:15 am - 11:30 am	Leadership Challenge (continued)	
11:30 am - 1:00 pm	Lunch (on your own)	
1:00 pm - 2:15 pm	Leadership Challenge (continued)	
2:15 pm - 2:45 pm	Break	
2:45 pm - 4:00 pm	Leadership Challenge (continued)	
4:00 pm	Adjourn	

Wednesday, August 22, 2007

8:30 am - 9:45 am	Practical Psychology for Law Enforcement	Randy Garner
9:45 am - 10:15 am	Break	
10:15 am - 11:30 am	Practical Psychology for Law Enforcement (continued)	
11:30 am - 1:00 pm	Lunch (on your own)	
1:00 pm - 2:15 pm	Legal Issues	Robert Davis
2:15 pm - 2:45 pm	Break	
2:45 pm - 4:00 pm	Legal Issues (continued)	
4:00 pm -	Adjourn	
7:00 pm - 10:00 pm	Mexican Fiesta	Poolside
	<i>Spouse/Guest attendance is \$25 per person</i>	

Thursday, August 23, 2007

8:30 am - 9:45 am	Learning to Lead	Ruby Lehrman
9:45 am - 10:15 am	Break	
10:15 am - 11:30 am	Learning to Lead (continued)	
11:30 am	Adjourn	

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Jail Management Issues

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Texas Jail Association August 20-23, 2007

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CORRECTIONS IN EARLY TEXAS

by
Dan Richard Beto

Review of *Wanted: Historic County Jails of Texas*, by Edward A. Blackburn, Jr. College Station: Texas A&M University Press, 2006, 412 pp., \$39.95 (hard cover).

During a three and a half year period, retired Houston physician Edward J. Blackburn, Jr., traveled to all 254 counties in Texas to collect information on county jails. In addition, he consulted with historians and architects, visited with representatives of historical societies, libraries, and museums, talked to county officials, and poured over countless publications. The fruit of his labors is *Wanted: Historic County Jails of Texas*, and what may best be described as an encyclopedia of early forms of confinement in the Lone Star State.

The author, focusing on the period of Texas history between 1840 and 1940, provides a satisfying overview of the book in the introduction, which is followed by more than 350 pages devoted to county jails. Each county is represented in the book, and contained in the description is a brief history of the county, along with who was responsible for the jail's design and construction. In many cases, a photograph of the historic structure is provided.

The book has three appendices: one is devoted to listing jail contractors during the 100 years covered; another provides the names of jail and courthouse architects; and the third lists the names of jail equipment companies.

A comprehensive bibliography is also provided, which gives evidence to the thoroughness of the author's research. Dr. Blackburn also provides a detailed index, which is of considerable assistance to the reader in finding a particular subject.

Persons interested in the history of corrections in Texas – especially as it relates to the state's 254 counties – will find this book compelling. Dr. Blackburn and Texas A&M University Press have produced a well-researched reference book on Texas jails, and, in doing so, they have advanced the body of knowledge on a much ignored but vitally important facet of the state's criminal justice system.

If ordered through Texas A&M University Press, this highly interesting book costs \$39.95; however, the price of the book is \$30.36 if purchased through amazon.com.

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TECHNOLOGY'S IMPACT ON CRIMINAL JUSTICE

by
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A review of *The New Technology of Crime, Law and Social Control*, edited by James M. Byrne and Donald J. Rebovich. Monsey, New York: Criminal Justice Press, 2007, 379 pp., \$39.00 (paper).

A recent addition to criminal justice scholarship is found in *The New Technology of Crime, Law and Social Control*, edited by James M. Byrne, professor in the Department of Criminal Justice and Criminology at the University of Massachusetts at Lowell (UMass Lowell), and Donald J. Rebovich, associate professor in the Department of Criminal Justice at Utica College in New York and Director of the school's Economic Crime Investigation Program. This book should be of interest to almost any person working in the criminal justice system and to those in academia charged with the responsibility of teaching criminal justice courses.

In the introductory chapter, the editors provide a comprehensive overview of the book's contents and establish the purpose of the text. Particularly helpful is their discussion of "hard" versus "soft" technology:

Hard technology innovations include new materials, devices, and equipment that can be used to either commit crime or prevent and control crime. Soft technology innovations include new software programs, classification systems, crime analysis techniques, and data sharing/system integration techniques that also provide opportunities for both crime commission and crime control.

A very helpful table is provided by the editors that offers examples of hard and soft technology applications in the areas of crime prevention, police, courts, institutional corrections, and community corrections.

In the second chapter, Kip Schlegel at Indiana University and Charles Cohen with the Indiana State Police discuss the role of technology in the commission of crime. Much of the chapter is devoted to distinguishing between and providing examples of crime "as work," crime "at work," and crime "after work." This is a well crafted and thought provoking chapter.

Rebovich and Anthony Martino with the Utica Police Department provide Chapter 3, in which they build on the previous chapter and go on to examine the role of the private sector in controlling crime. They make a compelling argument for multi-agency and multi-disciplinary partnerships to address a crime problem that is growing in sophistication.

The next two chapters deal with the subject of crime prevention. Brandon C. Welsh of UMass Lowell and David P. Farrington at Cambridge University, focusing on hard technology, draw on available research to demonstrate that CCTV surveillance cameras and improved street lighting are effective tools in reducing crime. As for crime prevention and soft technology, Andrew J. Harris at UMass Lowell and Arthur J. Lurigio at Loyola University in Chicago distinguish between risk assessment and threat assessment and examine a number of assessment instruments currently in use.

In Chapter 6, Don Hummer with Penn State University at Harrisburg discusses hard technology and policing. Some of the non-lethal weapons he highlights include: chemical irritants; electric-shock immobilizing technology; rubber, plastic, and wooden bullet guns and beanbag shotguns; strobe and acoustical weapons; and non-electric immobilizing devices. In the next chapter Christopher J. Harris with UMass Lowell discuss the application of information technology to police work, including data collection and management and data-driven strategies. Hummer devotes considerable attention to Compstat, the successful strategy introduced by William J. Bratton in New York.

The courts are the subject of the next two chapters. In Chapter 8, Eric T. Bellone of Roxbury Community College provides a brief historical perspective of the use of hard technology in the courts; in addition, he lists, in considerable detail, various forms and uses of hard technology and suggests that with technological changes "new laws, protocols, and rules of evidence and procedures must be introduced." Ronald P. Corbett, Jr., Executive Director of the Massachusetts Supreme Judicial Court, offers a scholarly treatment of the use of soft technology in the courts in which he discusses the goals of transparency, efficiency, and effectiveness. In addition, he identifies several courts that may be viewed

as exemplars in the use of technology.

Jacob I. Stowell with UMass Lowell reviews the application of hard technology in the institutional setting focusing primarily on security issues and officer/offender interaction. His chapter is followed by one written by Byrne and April Pattavina at UMass Lowell, who discuss soft technologies employed in prisons and jails, including classification systems, risk assessments, and preparing inmates for release.

Chapters 12 and 13 are devoted to the use of technology in the field of community corrections. In their chapter, Patricia M. Harris at the University of Texas at San Antonio and Byrne do an excellent job of focusing on the hard technology innovations, such as the various forms of electronic monitoring, drug testing, managing special needs offenders, automated reporting systems, and language translation devices. They point out that for the most part the hard technology innovations are under-evaluated. Too, they note that most of the hard technologies they identify are used on only a small fraction of the offender population in the community. In the

next chapter, Pattavina and Faye S. Taxman at Virginia Commonwealth University discuss current classification instruments and offer words of caution on the use of information made available through technological applications. Regrettably, there is not much new in this chapter.

The book is concluded with an essay from Gary T. Marx at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, in which he examines potential pitfalls in the engineering of social control.

In *The New Technology of Crime, Law and Social Control*, Byrne and Rebovich have produced an excellent resource in the study of the criminal justice system.

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The *TJA Website* has a

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The Texas Jail Association was formed on June 4, 1956, in Austin, Texas. The organization's main objective is to provide a distinct and unified voice for correctional officers working in local jails. TJA's membership is comprised of Jail Administrators, Correctional Officers, Sheriffs, Support Staff, and other interested parties of the corrections profession in Texas. TJA strives to accomplish the following goals:

1. To bring together those concerned with, or interested in the professional operation and administration of jails in the State of Texas;
2. To advance professionals through training, exchange of information, technical assistance, publications and conferences;
3. To provide leadership in the development of professional standards, management practices, programs, and services; and
4. To advance the interests, needs, and concerns of the membership.



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COLLIN COUNTY



Sheriff Terry G. Box promoted Detention Officer **Jason Jones** to Detention Sergeant.



Detention Officer **John Nye** was promoted to Corporal – Jail Division by Sheriff Tommy Gage on June 1, 2007.



Corporal **Steve Dresel** was promoted to Sergeant – Jail Division by Sheriff Tommy Gage on June 1, 2007.

MONTGOMERY COUNTY

Montgomery County Sheriff's Office supervisor **Scott Coskrey** received a letter of recognition from Sheriff Gage in March 2007. Coskrey was recognized for efficient and economical completion of a project which increased work station space in the Records Management Division.



Deputy **Billy Stover** and Deputy **Ovidio Salinas**, Jail Division Transportation Section, receiving 5 year safe driving awards from Sheriff Gage.



Captain **Robert Green** was recognized by Sheriff Tommy Gage for his 25 years of Service to the Montgomery County Sheriff's Office.



Detention Officer **Shannon Holmes** promoted to Deputy - Jail Division by Sheriff Tommy Gage on May 4, 2007.



Detention Officer **Todd Downing** was promoted to Deputy – Jail Division by Sheriff Tommy Gage on June 1, 2007.



Detention Officer **Ella Lewis** was promoted to Deputy – Jail Division by Sheriff Tommy Gage on June 1, 2007.

SHERIFF LUPE VALDEZ FINDS INNOVATIVE WAYS TO KEEP JAIL STAFF MOTIVATED IN DALLAS COUNTY.

Dallas County Sheriff Lupe Valdez holds a routine Jail Command Staff meeting. To break the monotony, Sheriff Valdez turns the meeting into a luncheon and has food catered from, "On The Border."



Sheriff Lupe Valdez rolls up her sleeves and serves food to the Jail Command Staff as well as Sheriff's Department employees who stopped by after the meeting. As

the meeting continues the staff discusses how to provide better customer service to the citizens of Dallas County.



DALLAS SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT HOLDS MEMORIAL FOR FALLEN DEPUTIES



On May 15, 2007 the Dallas Sheriff's Department held it's Fallen Deputy Memorial Ceremony at the steps of the Frank Crowley building on Industrial Blvd., in

Dallas. The event helped to recognize every deputy who has fallen in the line of duty throughout Dallas County's history. 1.) Sheriff Lupe Valdez address 100's of friends, family and citizens who attended the ceremony, with her command staff



the event as well displaying a professional appearance and parading the colors for everyone to see. 4.) Members of the Dallas Sheriff's Department Honor Guard stand at attention while carrying a bouquet of flowers for every fallen Deputy. The flowers bouquets were also put at the foot of the alter, by the American flag.



looking on. 2.) Sgt. Darren Hodge salutes the colors as it sits at the foot of the alter and the public announcement system plays, "Taps." 3.) The Dallas Sheriff's Department's Honor Guard participated in

In Memory Of...



*Officer Matthew Edwards
Denton County Sheriff's
Office*

Officer Mathew Edwards, age 24 was called to his maker, the Lord and Savior, on April 29, 2007. Officer Edwards passed away as a result of a cardiac condition. Officer Edwards joined the sheriff's

office on March 07, 2007. He leaves behind 2 daughters.



Robin Kay McLellan, 54, of Denton, died Sunday, March 25, 2007, at Denton Regional Medical Center after a three year battle with breast cancer. She was born July 4, 1952 in Dallas, and had been a Detention Officer for the Denton County Sheriff Office since June 15, 2004. Mrs. McLellan is survived

by her son, Detention Sergeant Larry Pyles and daughter in law, Lori Pyles, of Denton; brother, Reed Blatchley, of Houston; and four grandchildren, Briar Pyles, Destiny Pyles, Aaron Pyles, and Daria Pyles, all of Denton. She will be truly missed by her family and the members of the Denton County Sheriff's Office.



Kelvin Armstrong

On April 23, 2007 Kelvin Hughes Armstrong was called home by our Lord.

Kelvin was born August 15, 1963 in Fort Worth, Texas.

He had been a longtime resident of Jack County, a member of the Baptist Church, and a member of the Jacksboro Masonic Lodge #320. Kelvin married Linda Jo Birdwell February 28, 2007 in Las Vegas, NV.

Kelvin Hughes Armstrong, age 43, began his career in Law Enforcement with the Jack County Sheriff's Office on April 6, 2001, as a part-time Jailer/Dispatcher. Kelvin advanced to full-time Jailer/Dispatcher on November 4, 2001. Kelvin advanced quickly in the Jail to Sergeant/Assistant Jail Administrator and on November 29, 2005, Kelvin was promoted to Jail Administrator. In September 2006, Kelvin completed the Basic Jail Administration Program at the Correctional Management Institute of Texas.

Survivors include: Wife, Linda Armstrong of Bryson; parents, Bill and Nancy Armstrong of Bryson; children, Kelsey Armstrong, Jesse Alan Armstrong, Megan Birdwell and Tyler Birdwell of Bryson, and K.W. Armstrong of Bryson; sister, Kristie Lewis of Bryson; brother, Kacy Armstrong of Jacksboro; grandmother, Lorene Easter of Jack County; several nieces and nephews also survive.

THE DENTON COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE GRADUATES ITS FIRST BASIC PEACE OFFICER CLASS

In January of 2006, the Denton County Sheriff's Office began its quest to seek an academy license from TCLEOSE for the purpose of having a part-time, morning Basic Peace Officer course for the benefit of the agency and its employees. The application was approved and the first class started in April 2006. The course was set up in three blocks with 3-4 weeks between the blocks. Thirty-five students were selected from detention and one from personnel administration. Instructors were volunteers from the Sheriff's Office and surrounding agencies. The academy itself was housed in a vacant pod in the jail.

After a full year of class, the entire first graduating class of the Denton County Sheriff's Law Enforcement Academy passed their state license tests within one week of completing the school on April 19.

Lt. Lin Jones, Director of Professional Standards and Career Development for the Sheriff's Office, is coordinator of the academy.

"It was a big job, and it's been an incredible journey, thanks to the help and dedication of more than 80 volunteer instructors from 20 agencies from the North Texas area," Lt. Jones said.

"Everyone who started, finished and no one dropped out or failed. The students had to balance the school with families and their jobs, and it was an incredible effort by the entire Sheriff's Office to make that happen. I am very proud of their accomplishments and proud to be a part of such a great, caring organization," she said.

The class of 36 students received their certificates at a graduation ceremony April 28, 2007.

The academy was also certified by the Veteran's Administration, allowing veterans to draw their educational benefits while attending the academy. It is the only part-time day academy operating in the state.

Sheriff Benny Parkey said the academy is another step toward increasing the professionalism of law enforcement, not only in the Sheriff's Office, but in the entire county.

"Anytime we can increase competence, integrity and professionalism in law enforcement, we help make Denton County a better and safer place for all," he said.



Class Roster

Ricky Addis, Corporal, Detention, Danny Bates, Detention Officer I, Rebecca Beattie, Corporal, Detention, David Borel, Detention Officer I, Josh Boydston, Detention Officer I, Michael Clark, Sergeant, Detention William Calvert, Detention Officer I, M. Barry Clearman, Lieutenant, Detention, Johnny Copley, Detention Officer I, Tiffany Craig, Corporal, Detention, Nancy Deaton, Detention Officer I, Nicalle Edwards, Detention Officer I, Bruce Elsey, Lieutenant, Detention, Corliss Emery, Detention Officer I, Earl Govan, Corporal, Detention, Chad Graham, Sergeant, Detention, Wanda Griffin, Detention Officer I, Gary Hall, Corporal, Detention, Casey Hollis, Corporal, Detention, Corey Hollis, Corporal, Detention, Melinda Hunter, Corporal, Detention, Mary Martin, Corporal, Detention, Jeremy McCombs, Sergeant, Detention, Dustin McConnell, Detention Officer I, Jared Price, Detention Officer I, Justin Ramon, Sergeant, Detention, Gary Rankin, Corporal, Detention, Anna Reed, Sergeant, Detention, Kimberly Rodriguez, Personnel Assistant, Sheriff's Office, Eddie Rucker, Corporal, Detention, Randy Starr, Sergeant, Detention, Jason Stevens, Detention Officer I, Melinda Stevens, Corporal, Detention, Michael Tutt, Lieutenant, Detention, Adam Watkins, Detention Officer I, James Willis, Corporal, Detention

NEW MEMBERS WELCOMED

The Texas Jail Association's Officers and Board of Directors would like to welcome the 139 new members who joined the Association between April 1, 2007 and June 15, 2007.

Karen Akins from Guadalupe County, **Martin Arnold** from Nueces County, **John Ball** from University Park Police Department, **George Blair** from McCulloch County, **Barbara Brown** from Reagan County, **Larry Campbell** from Grayson County, **Destiny Carpenter** from Kendall County, **Justin Conn** from Milam County, **Gean Cooper** from Lubbock County, **Victor Cortez** from Guadalupe County, **Doris Crenshaw** from Comanche County, **Joe Daniels** from Reagan County, **Ernie De la Rosa** from La Salle County, **Gene Diaz** from LCS Corrections Services, Inc., **Gerardo Diaz** from Goliad County, **David Ellis** from Guadalupe County, **Daniel Escobedo** from Midland County, **Jerry Farmer** from Denton County, **William Fiveash** from Tom Green County, **Andrew Garcia** from Goliad County, **Ty Gerstenberger** from Tom Green County, **John Gordon** from Nueces County, **Billy Harrell** from Grayson County, **Walter Hastings** from Guadalupe County, **Richard Holloman** from Austin County, **Tim Hulse** from Midland County, **Jacen Hunter** from Parker County, **Danny James** from Matagorda County, **Donna Kibbe** from Guadalupe County, **Deonna Kirkpatrick** from Kaufman County, **Rebecca Kmiec** from Austin County, **Ed Krevit** from Midland County, **Enrique Martinez** from Guadalupe County, **Jennifer McHaney** from Midland County, **Kirk McMurrey** from Fannin County, **Jamie Menchaca** from Guadalupe County, **Megan Moore** from Anderson County, **Ray Mora** from Pecos County, **Christi Morgan** from Comanche County, **Donna Morgan** from Guadalupe County, **Roy Nanez** from Kendall County, **Rosie Ortiz** from Reagan County, **Chris Phillips** from Robertson County, **John Pilkington** from Tarrant County, **Chris Portillo** from Pecos County, **Ron Ring** from Kendall County, **Cliff Robinson** from Lubbock County, **Stephen Russell** from Ellis County, **James Scott** from Grayson County, **Richard Sexton** from Midland County, **Paul Smith** from Mesquite County, **Scotty Sparkman** from Harris County, **Ray Stewart** from Ellis County, **Charles Sullins** from Ellis County, **Rita Tamez** from Parker County, **Eddy Tessier** from Montgomery County, **Victor Villarreal** from La Salle County, **George Wall** from Castro County, **Jeff Weatherby** from Reagan County, **Royce White** from Parker County, **Larry Williams** from Matagorda County, **Alicia Wilson** from Ellis County, **Larry Winter** from Cooke County, **Fabian Aguirre** from Ector County, **Shane Albritton** from Montgomery County, **Abel Arriazola** from Victoria County, **Michael Baggett** from Gregg County, **Charlie Boyce** from Burnet County, **Nancy Brixey** from Rains County, **Gordon L. 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Texas Jail Association

Date	Workshop Title	Location
July 17-18, 2007	Neurographics for Interviewing**	Wichita Falls, Texas
July 25, 2007	Stress Management**	Nacogdoches, Texas
July 25-26, 2007	Staff Supervision for Corrections Professionals*	Corpus Christi, Texas
July 31 – August 2, 2007	Gangs Conference**	Houston, Texas
August 7-8, 2007	Grant Writing for Criminal Justice**	Huntsville, Texas
August 20-23, 2007	Jail Management Issues Conference****	South Padre Island, Texas
September 19, 2007	Conflict Resolution & The Badge; The Power & the Attitude***	Refugio, Texas
October 4-5, 2007	Performance Management: Building Leaders from Within*****	Houston, Texas
October 8-11, 2007	38 th Annual Jail Management Conference****	Huntsville, Texas

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