



Tennessee Association of Chiefs of Police

THE TACP NEWS

Summer 2001

Volume 1, Issue 2

TACP
530 Church Street
Suite 504
Nashville, TN 37219

PHONE
615.726.8227

FAX
615.244.0057

VISIT US AT
www.tacp.org

PRESIDENT
J.D. Sanders

1ST VICE PRESIDENT
Phil Keith

2ND VICE PRESIDENT
Lee Reese

PAST PRESIDENT
Jackie Moore

SACOP REPRESENTATIVE
Dennis Joyner

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
Maggi McLean

DIRECTORS:

Chief Ronald Street

Chief Jack Baldwin

Chief David Beams

Chief Bob Terry

Chief Jimmie Dotson

Chief Jeffrey Guth

Commissioner Bill Jones

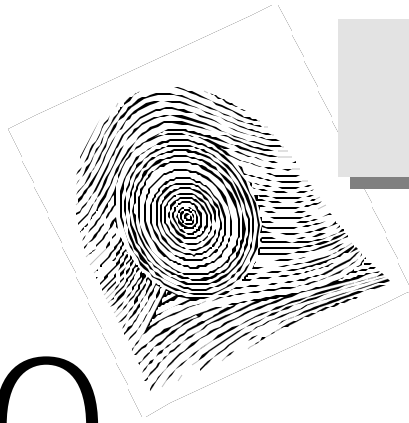
Chief Austin Swing

Chief James Woodard

Chief Bobby Williamson

Chief Roger Livengood

Director Roger Fowler



The Phoenix Rises: Thumbprint is Back

On May 1st, the Pawnbroker Thumbprint bill (HB 1802/SB1216) was sent to a study committee by a 5-6 vote in the House Judiciary Committee. The very next day the same legislator who made the study committee motion, which essentially killed the bill, asked the committee to reconsider their actions on the bill. The committee agreed. It was put on the calendar for May 8th and passed with only 3 "NO" votes. Speaker Jimmy Naifeh was one of the "YES" votes and made a strong stand for law enforcement and their efforts to fight crime and protect citizens.

The thumbprint bill passed out of the Judiciary committee and is set for the Budget Subcommittee of House Finance, Ways and Means on the 16th of May. The bill would then go to Finance and hopefully head to the House floor.

The bill (SB1216) is in the Senate Commerce Committee, which has closed and we are waiting to see if it will open back up to hear the thumbprint legislation. This legislation gives us the necessary tools to identify, apprehend and convict those that pawn stolen property.

We will notify you as soon as we know the updated status. Please keep in mind that we need your continued support.

The legislation has gotten this far because of each one of you and your phone calls and letters.



TACP Members shall be dedicated to the highest ideals of honor and integrity to maintain the respect and confidence of their Government officials, subordinates, the public, and their fellow members of law enforcement

As host chief for this year's annual conference, I am excited to announce a **"leave your coat and tie at home"** theme and invite you to join us for a good old fashioned TACP Family Reunion! In addition to our traditional golf tournament we are also offering fishing and boating excursions, antique shopping trips, and much more! (See the schedule of events below.)

This year we will hold our conference at the **Paris Landing State Park in Paris, Tennessee on June 13th thru the 17th. Room reservations can be made by calling the park directly at: 1-800-250-8614.**

I encourage each of you to bring your family and make a vacation out of the conference. We have tried to provide plenty of free time for you to enjoy the many activities provided at the park and we think you will have a relaxing and enjoyable time.

Please let us know ASAP if you plan to attend the conference. We need to have a head count in order to make plans. Fax your Reservation form to: 615.244.0057

Training for this year's conference will cover several current "hot topics" and includes two well respected and informed speakers. Well-known law enforcement trainer Jack Enter will conduct the Thursday afternoon training session and will be speaking on **Management Skills for the 21st Century. Leadership Ethics and Integrity** will be Saturday's topic presented by Mike Heidingsfield, President and CEO of the Memphis / Shelby County Crime Commission. This is an excellent opportunity to learn from experienced leaders and to get in needed POST continuing education hours.

Also included in this issue you will find the training class schedule for 2001. I wanted to take this opportunity to personally urge each of you to send your staff to these informative and FREE training classes. IPTM and the TACP staff have worked hard to ensure that the topics are current and will be beneficial to those attending. Please look over the enclosed training schedule and call our office @ 615.726.8227 with any questions you may have.

Sincerely,
J.D. Sanders



President's Message

J.D. Sanders
Director of Public Safety
Martin, Tennessee



Leave Your Coat and Tie At Home!

2001 Annual Conference Schedule

Thursday, June 14th

8:00 am—10:00 am
Committee Meetings

9:00 am—10:30 am
Board of Directors Meeting

11:00 am—Noon
Opening Ceremony

Noon
Lunch / Spouse's Luncheon

1:-00 pm—5:00 pm
Training w/ Jack Enter

2:00 pm
Spouses Antique Shopping Ex-
cursion

6:30 pm
Social Hour

7:00 pm
TACP Family Reunion Cookout

Friday, June 15th

6:00 am — Noon
Fishing Trip / Tournament

7:00 am—Noon
TACP Annual Scramble
Golf Tournament

9:00 am
Spouse's Spa Day Appointments/
Self Defense Class

2:00 pm — 4:00 pm
ATF Demonstration /
Gun Range

2:00 pm
Spouse's Spa Day Appointments/
Self Defense Class

6:30 pm
Host Chief's Fish Fry

*Schedule subject to change

Saturday, June 16th

7:30 am
Continental Breakfast

8:00 am—9:30 am
TACP Membership Meeting

9:30 am—12:30 am
Training w/ Mike Heidingsfield

6:30 pm
Children's Cookout and Activities

6:30 pm
Social Hour

7:00 pm
TACP Annual Awards Banquet

**** Chief's Roundtable will be held @ 6:00 pm on Wednesday, June 13th.**

DUI Standardized Field Sobriety Test (24 hrs)

To provide the student skill and knowledge required to successfully perform the duties and responsibilities related to conducting proper DUI enforcement activities: detection and general deterrence, the legal environment, note-taking and testimony, concepts and principles of the SFST, test battery demonstration, drinking experiment and psychophysical testing, processing the arrested subject and preparation for trial, report writing and moot court, and a general overview of drug impairment.

Community Policing for Traffic Officers (24 hrs)

Upon completion of the course the traffic officer will be able to integrate his or her traffic enforcement activity into the departments community policing effort. The traffic officer will be able to use the SARA problem solving model to respond to traffic complaints and problems that are brought to the departments attention. The traffic officer will have an understanding of the elements of community policing and be able to work with other officers to further implement community policing.

Safe and Legal Traffic Stops (8 Hrs)

This course is designed to provide patrol officers with specific methods for conducting professional traffic stops. The program will offer an awareness of the ethnic, racial and cultural issues that officers are required to deal with during a vehicle stop. Attendees will review and discuss guidelines to follow in an effort to ensure that proper probable cause is achieved in all related vehicle traffic stops and that the stops are made in a consistent and professional manner.

Computerized Collision Diagramming (40 Hrs) This course will teach the traffic crash investigator how to make scale maps of traffic crash scenes using a computer. From measurements recorded at a crash scene the student operates a computer to produce scale drawings of the site.

TACP Training Classes

Traffic Reconstruction (80 hrs)

This course will provide the student the training necessary to complete a crash investigation to such a level or proficiency that reconstruction and analysis of the collision will be possible. This course will assist and prepare the student to testify in court at the expert level.

Interviewing Techniques for the Traffic

Crash Investigator (40 hrs) The focus of this truly practical interviews and interrogations course is to provide the officer with the skills necessary to gain high quality information from individuals no matter what their status might be in the investigation. Emphasis is placed on skill-development rather than fact-acquisition. It will equip the investigator with the framework to expand his/her ability to discern the innocent from the guilty.

Advanced Traffic Crash Investigation (80 hrs)

This course will provide the student the training necessary to complete a technical crash investigation. At this level of training, the student will be able to recognize, interpret, and prepare physical evidence for further use in the reconstruction of the crash.

At Scene Traffic Crash Investigation (80 hrs)

This course is to provide the student with an awareness and the necessary skill required to conduct a traffic crash investigation. The course will provide the students with a working knowledge of what evidence and information are needed upon arriving at the scene of a traffic crash and how to safely obtain the needed information without further endangering the safety of themselves, the victims or the community for which they work.

2001 Training Class Schedule

Safe and Legal Traffic Stops

June 18, 2001
Vanderbilt University, Nashville, TN

June 19, 2001
Kingston, TN

DUI Standardized Field Sobriety Test

June 20-22, 2001
Franklin, TN

Computerized Collision Diagramming

June 25-29, 2001
Franklin, TN

Traffic Crash Reconstruction

July 16-27, 2001
Franklin, TN

Community Policing for Traffic Officers

July 11-13, 2001
Brentwood, TN

Interviewing Techniques for the Traffic Crash Investigator

July 30- August 3, 2001
Murfreesboro, TN

Advanced Traffic Crash Investigation

August 20-31, 2001
Cleveland, TN

At Scene Traffic Crash Investigation

September 10 -21, 2001
Brownsville, TN

The funding for this training is provided by a grant from the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration through the Governor's Highway Safety Office and the TACP



For Registration Information
please contact the TACP office
@ 615.726.8227 or email us at:
training@taccp.org

Join Us for the IACP 108th Annual Convention



October 27-31, 2001
Toronto, Canada

TACP Hotel:
The Delta Chelsea

Check out the hotel at:
www.deltachelsea.com

All reservations *must* be
made through the TACP Office!

Contact the TACP Office for more details
on the convention!

615.726.8227

Email: IACPinfo@tacz.org

Calendar of Events 2001

June 14-17

TACP Annual (Family) Conference
Paris Landing State Park

August 1-3

TACP Meeting
Sheraton Nashville Downtown

October 10-12

TACP Meeting
Sheraton Nashville Downtown

October 27-31

IACP 107th Convention
Toronto, Canada

December 12-14

TACP Meeting
Sheraton Nashville Downtown

February 6-8, 2002

TACP Meeting
Sheraton Nashville Downtown

April 3-5, 2002

TACP Meeting
Sheraton Nashville Downtown

Executive Director's Corner

Just wanted to let everyone know that the association has access to IACPNET.com. IACPNET is the most comprehensive information network specifically designed for law enforcement professionals. This will be an important tool for each of you to gather information and ideas from other colleagues from throughout the country. IACPNET is a database that allows us to research questions of interest. Please feel free to contact the office with questions and requests.

Let's utilize this service

-- Maggi McLean
TACP Executive Director

Dear Chiefs:

I need your assistance in a survey. I need to know how many agencies are paying overtime to personnel that are attending TLETA Basic Police Training.

I would also like to know how many agencies have been investigated by the Department of Labor within the past (3) three years concerning this issue. If at all possible I am needing this information no later than Wednesday May 16, 2001.

To facilitate your reply you can call
731-772-1266 and ask to speak to
Ms. Keenya Bell (Administrative Assistant)
731-772-6663 FAX
or e-mail bpdadm@pchnet.com.

Thanks in advance for your assistance in
this request.

Respectfully,
Chief Gill Kendrick
Brownsville Police Department