

April 26, 2004

Dear TACP Member:

Well, Chief's Day on the Hill was an overwhelming success. Many were able to watch a bill voted on in the Senate. The Leadership of the House and the Senate recognized the members of the TACP. Thank you to all of you that attended. Also, the VENDOR EXPO was very well attended. Maggi wants to try having 2 shows a year and this was her first attempt at having a small one at the April Meeting and a large show at the Annual Conference in August.

**NEWS** : The officers that were donated to the Office of Homeland Security by law enforcement agencies graduated from the two week training session on homeland security threats and counter terrorism. The Governor has released a new driver's license bill that will require a "certificate of driving" instead of a driver's license for non-residents of Tennessee. More information will be forthcoming. The Campus Crime bill was signed by the Governor on the 15<sup>th</sup> of April and will require joint investigations by the local police department and the campus police department in the event of rape or death. In the event of death-local pd is the lead agency and in the event of rape-campus pd is the lead agency. Maggi has really worked hard with our membership and at the legislature to assure our interests are protected. Thank you Maggi!

*The next class of the UT-Southwest Command Leadership Academy (the Command College) will start in July and is currently taking applications. Space is limited so interested individuals please contact Mike Hill for registration and tuition information at 865.215.1351. This is an excellent program supported by the TACP.*

**ANNUAL CONFERENCE INFORMATION:** The 34<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference of the TACP will be held in Nashville (not Chattanooga) at the Music City Sheraton August 11-14. Maggi will have information available at the June meeting. She is very busy putting together a great conference that we will all enjoy and learn from I'm sure. Please mark your calendars to be there!!

**Member News:** The TACP voted to accept **9 New Members** at the April meeting and their names are as follows Captain Terry Ledbetter-Dyersburg PD, LEL Brenda Jones-GHSO, SAC Derek Verdeyen-US Secret Service in Memphis, Chief Kelly Yount-Maynardville, Chief Wesley Snyder-Cleveland PD, Director James Bassham-TEMA, Director Charles Beauregard-TN Dept. of Corrections/Internal Affairs, Chief James Webb-Loudon PD, and LEL Jerry Tucker-GHSO. Please make every effort to make our new members feel welcome. Recruit or bring a new member to the June meeting!

Retired Chief Raymond Kolwyck, Humbolt PD, passed away last week-keep the family in your prayers please. Gatlinburg Police Chief Harry Montgomery is retiring on April 30<sup>th</sup>. Captain Brackins will then become the Chief of Police for Gatlinburg PD. Martin PD has a new Police Chief.....David Moore has been named as Chief of Police after serving for the last 6 months as Interim Chief. Congratulations on our members' promotions and to Chief Montgomery on his retirement. Good luck gentlemen.

**Don't forget to make your hotel reservations by the deadline: Friday, May 14<sup>th</sup> !!!**

The April meeting will have some great training opportunities for you. The training will cover the following topics: "Homeland Security Briefing:", "State Dispatcher Training and Its Impact on Police Departments", "Law Enforcement Response to Alarms: How to Best Serve Your Community", and "TN Lottery and What It Means to Law Enforcement." Don't forget that you are invited and encouraged to attend the Chief's Roundtable on Wednesday, June 2<sup>nd</sup> at 4pm and June's best practice segment will be on ComStat and how its use has been beneficial to the Clarksville Police Department. It will be lead by Clarksville Police Chief Mark Smith. The Roundtable is great opportunity to share information with other CEO's!

Please feel free to call the TACP Office if you need any assistance. Maggi and I look forward to seeing all of you at the June meeting.

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Sincerely,  
*Lee Reese*

