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by Chief John Lowry
Johnson City PD

I hope that you had a wonderful holiday season and that you are eagerly making your New Year's Resolutions. I know we are all very busy with the start of the new year and the TACP is no different. I want to take this opportunity to update you on some of the happenings in our organization.

** Michelle O'Neill, our Administrative and Training Coordinator, is no longer with the TACP as she had to relocate to Texas for family reasons. We have hired Stefanie Ellis to fill the position. She was at our December meeting helping Maggi with the meeting. We wish Michelle well and will miss her.

** We had 3 chiefs retire at the end of the year: Kingsport Police Chief Mark Addington, Chattanooga Police Chief Steve Parks, and Vanderbilt Police Chief Al Guyet. All three have vowed to remain active in the association during the first stage of their retirement. We look forward to seeing them soon. Please feel free to contact Maggi if you would like their home information.

** It is with a heavy heart that I inform you that Retired Metro Nashville Police Chief and Past President Joe Casey's daughter, Lynn Casey, passed away January 2 due to complications from hernia surgery. Please keep Joe and Jewell in your thoughts and prayers during this difficult time. Your children aren't supposed to go before you.

**Hendersonville Police Chief David Key had back surgery during our December meeting and is recovering at home. Please keep him in your thoughts and prayers. We hope to see him at a TACP meeting soon.

** Ashland City Police Chief Marc Coulon and Oak Ridge Police David Beams both had heart by-pass surgery after the October meeting and were well enough to attend the December meeting. AMAZING PROGRESS!!!

2007 MEETING DATES AND HOTEL INFORMATION

** OUR MEETING LOCATION HAS CHANGED **

Millennium Maxwell House
2025 Metro Center Blvd
Nashville, TN 37228
Phone: 615-313-3584
Reservations: 866-866-8086
www.millenniumhotels.com

January 31-February 2
April 4-6
May 30-June 1
October 3-5
December 5-7

**Mark your calendars

*2007 Annual Conference will be held August 1st - 4th at the
Memphis Downtown Marriott*

DECEMBER MEETING MINUTES – DEC. 8, 2006 * 8:00AM

Chief John Lowry called the meeting to order. Chief Tommy Cooper gave the invocation and Chief Lowry led the pledge of allegiance.

Chief Lowry introduced TBI Director Mark Gwyn. He stated that the TBI is making headway on the crime lab backup especially in Knoxville. The other locations are moving ahead. There are 17 forensic scientists in training now and some work has been out sourced. The TBI has gone through their first budget hearing and he has requested 12 new agents.

A motion was made to approve the minutes of the October meeting by Chief Cooper and seconded by Chief Chrisman. The minutes were approved.

There are several members of the TACP retiring. Chief Mark Addington from Kingsport retired on Nov. 17 and Chief Steve Parks of Chattanooga and Vanderbilt Police Chief Al Guyet will be retiring on December 31. Each were presented a plaque for their dedication and professionalism to the TACP and years of service in law enforcement.

Chief Marc Coulon of Ashland City and Chief David Beams of Oak Ridge both had heart bypass surgery and are doing well. Chief David Key of Hendersonville also had back surgery and doing well.

Ms. Duncan gave the **Executive Directors report**. The 2007 meeting dates and a new location for the hotel are included in the packet for the meetings next year. We will be at the Millennium Maxwell House Hotel. The 2006-2007 membership notices went out and there is only one outstanding membership at this time.

Ms. Duncan gave the membership report. There are 557 members and 14 new members to be approved at this business meeting. Ms. Duncan read the list of new members.

Chief Glenn Chrisman gave the **Finance Oversight report**. As of August 31, 2006, there was a balance of \$104,189.39. The balance at the end of September 31, 2006 was \$60,832.68 and the end of October 31, 2006, the balance was \$45,799.84. There is about \$50,000 outstanding in grant reimbursements. There is a balance of \$104,160.24 in the Leadership training endowment fund.

Chief Sterling Owen gave a report on the **Legislative committee**. There was an opinion from the DAG office on the recording of juveniles via videotaping on a field sobriety test. The opinion says that photographing, fingerprinting or videotaping of juveniles is prohibited. The committee is going to look into this. Also discussed: the Memphis Airport has requested clarification on entry to airports with unlawful possession of weapons of people have carry permits, Other legislation includes pawnshop/thumbprint, prescription database accessibility for law enforcement agencies, the Crooks with guns bill, gang bill, and supporting the DUI Task Force recommended legislation, and more DA positions to be funded in 2007.

Chief Gill Kendrick gave the **Futures II and SACOP report**. Recognize fall officers on the TACP website. Also, the IACP has a unit that works with smaller departments serving under 25,000 populations. The IACP has requested that the local TACP send them the database for keeping in touch with smaller department. A video was shown on Critical Incidents in Schools (Active shooter) at the beginning of the meeting. Mr. Rob Donlin is available to come and do assessments in schools. They are available on the web at doblin@nlectc-se.org. There is another CD available on the www.theiacp.org on school issues. There is another organization that serves police called the badge of honor and is a non-profit group that provides information to families and departments in time of loss: www.badgeofhonorfoundation.com. Most of the deaths of officers are from vehicle crashes. There is also a Technology Desk Reference for new chiefs and contains policies and procedures on current issues in law enforcement. This book is now available to departments and Chief Kendrick passed out applications. The next SACOP meeting will be in St. Louis in the March.

Chief Kim Wallace gave the **By-Laws report**. In the packet is a change in the by-laws concerning retired board members that allows them to complete their term as long as they retire in good standing from their agency.

Chief Don Green sent in **the Homeland Security report** and a copy was included in the packet for members to read.

Chief Jim Tusan gave the **Public Safety Coalition report**. The two main topics for next year include the Crooks with Gun bill and the Gang bill for next year. Both have a large fiscal note attached. The next coalition meeting is January 22, at 2:00 pm in the TML office. The chairman for this year will be Montgomery Sheriff Norman Lewis and Knoxville DAG Randy Nichols will be co-chair.

Retirement Committee report was given by Chief Ricky Watson. Chief Lowry said they are working on a bill for next year that will affect members under the TCRS including police, fire, and many other government agencies that will improve the retirement and pension plans that many are currently under. The enabling legislation will allow the state to improve the plans for all officers. This is not something that the TACP membership can do solely and additional support is needed. There is a \$1.9 fiscal note attached to the bill. We propose that no TACP funds be used for professional assistance and that the Executive Board be given the authority to make decisions on said topic. It was suggested to talk with the Governor to see if he would consider including the money in his budget for the upcoming fiscal year. We will plan to work with other organizations such as the FOP to support this initiative. The FOP has agreed to provide some monetary support as well. Chief Watson said that TML will remain neutral but City and County Mayors are opposed to the legislation due to fiscal costs. The TCRS is neutral. Through this enabling legislation passed at the state level, each city and county government would have to vote on the measure. This would include a bridge to retirement and eliminating early retirement penalties and mandatory retirements at 60. Chief Watson then explained what the changes would be. It was suggested that the TACP pass "the hat" among members to fund professional support. State and local FOPs have already committed \$1,000. This will provide some seed money to get started with professional support and assistance. Maggi will seek to obtain a copy of the drafted bill and will post on the TACP website. When it obtains a sponsor, it will then be dropped in the legislature and given a bill number. This will most likely be in February, 2007.

There were no reports from the following committees: Leadership & Membership, University, Ethics & Standards, Training, Alarm Management, and the DUI Task Force.

A motion was made to approve the committee reports by Chief Kendrick, seconded, and the reports were approved.

CHIEF LOWRY INTRODUCED DAVE MITCHELL FROM THE OFFICE OF HOMELAND SECURITY. HE STATED THAT THE FUSION CENTER WILL BE COMING ON LINE IN FEBRUARY. ALSO, THEY WILL BEGINNING A TERRORISM LIAISON PROGRAM IN THE STATE AND EACH DISTRICT WILL BE ASKED TO SELECT OFFICERS TO BE A PART OF THE PROGRAM. THEY WILL RECEIVE ADDITIONAL TRAINING AND WILL BE WORKING WITH HOMELAND SECURITY. ALSO, NEXT WEEK, POLICE EXECUTIVES WILL BE GIVEN EXECUTIVE LEVEL TRAINING IN MEMPHIS.

THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED AT 9:15 AM.

TACP February Meeting

February's scheduled Training/Business Meeting of the TACP will be on January 31st, February 1st and 2nd at the Millennium Maxwell House Hotel (Please call the Office if you need directions).

January 31st, Wednesday

3:30-5:30pm Police Chiefs Forum & Roundtable Crown Ballroom
"Homeland Security and Tennessee's Fusion Center"
Director David Mitchell and Senior Analyst Steve Hewitt

This will be a joint meeting with the TN Sheriffs' Association.
(The Crown Ballroom is located on the 10th Floor of the hotel. The Sheriffs' will be meeting in this same room and will break around 3:15...that is when the Chiefs will be able to enter the ballroom.)

February 1st, Thursday

9:00 - 11:00am Board of Directors Meeting International-Hotel

TRAINING

Ballroom West-Hotel

1:00 - 1:30pm "TN Methamphetamine Task Force Update"
by TN Meth Task Force (Knoxville US Attorney)

1:30 - 3:30pm "Maintaining Secured and Prepared Schools in TN"
By Gregory Thomas, former Director of Security for New York City Schools

3:30 - 5:00pm "Rutherford County's School Safety Program: A Best Practice"
By Lt. Bill West, Rutherford County Sheriff's Department/SRO

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

February 2nd, Friday

8 - 9am TACP Business Meeting Ballroom West-Hotel

9 - 11:30am TRAINING Ballroom West-Hotel
"Resources from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children"
By Pete Banks, NCMEC

The TACP meeting rate is \$75 per night single/\$95 per night for double occupancy and self-parking at the hotel is free.

Reservations may be made by calling the Millennium Maxwell House at **1-866-866-8086 or 615-259-4343.**

The deadline for making TACP Block reservation is Friday, January 12th!

****PLEASE NOTE TIME CHANGE FOR THE ROUNDTABLE.****

MILLENNIUM MAXWELL HOUSE HOTEL BOOKING

BY PHONE: Please call 1.866.866.8086 or the hotel at 615.259.4343 to book your room for the meeting. When calling, please ask for the TACP (Tennessee Associations of Chiefs of Police) Block.

★ A Special Thank You ★

To all of our members who helped to make our December meeting a huge success!

We look forward to seeing you at the first meeting of 2007: January 31st thru February 2nd.

MESSAGE FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Dear TACP Membership:

I want to thank everyone for the gifts, gift cards, cards, phone calls, visits and well wishes on the birth of my son. Neil Easley is doing well and as the New Year has started, he reminds me how quickly things change and yet remain the same.

Neil is now 9 weeks old and is 12.5 pounds and 24.5 inches long. Ken and I feel blessed to have such a wonderful little miracle in our life. Thank you as well for all your support and patience during my maternity leave.



Take care and I look forward to seeing you next month,

Maggi

REQUEST FOR DEPARTMENT PATCHES

Memphis Police Director Larry Godwin has an officer that is collecting police department patches for his collection. He plans to display them at a conference. Please mail them to the TACP office. Officer Jensen would appreciate all your patches.

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UPCOMING TACP HOLIDAYS:

January 15

February 19

The Office will be closed on these days!

DECEMBER NEW MEMBERS

Director Daniel Baker UT LEIC, District 2	Associate [TACP]
Chief David Barrera Coopertown PD, District 7	Active [TACP]
Assistant Chief Dameon Blue Bradford PD, District 11	Active [Euhommie Bond]
Chief Todd Bone Cornersville PD, District 8	Active [TACP]
Captain Bennett Dicke Metro Nashville PD, District 7	Associate [Ronal Serpas]
Chief Mickey Gleason New Johnsonville PD, District 9	Active [TACP]
Captain Richard Hurley TN Highway Patrol	Associate [John Lowry]
Captain Kenneth Jenkins Goodlettsville PD, District 7	Associate [Terry Hutcherson]
Lieutenant Steve Isbell Dyersburg PD, District 11	Associate [Terry Ledbetter]
Chief William Loftis Soddy-Daisy PD, District 4	Active [TACP]
Cynthia Mooney, President Sentry Armor Systems Inc.	Police Supplier [Kim Wallace]
Chief Carl (Buddy) Peaster MTSU PSD, District 7	Active [TACP]
Deputy Chief Dave Rahinsky Franklin PD, District 7	Active [Jackie Moore]
Captain Paul Trickey Metro Nashville PD, District 7	Associate [Ronal Serpas]

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

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

THANK YOU FOR YOUR PARTICIPATION IN THE RECRUITMENT EFFORT.