Letter from the President

CTAT... Dedicated to the Future of County Government

Fellow Treasurers,

I am truly humbled to have been elected and sworn in as your President for the year 2008-2009.

We are off to a gallant start with the 81st Legislature. Your Legislative Task Force Team has worked hard in preparing legislation to enhance our core duties as County Treasurers. Representative Drew Darby will be carrying our bill in the House of Representatives and Senator Mike Jackson will carry our bill in the Senate.

I know that many of you have contacted your Representatives and Senators as well as their aides making them familiar with who you are, the importance of our elected position in county government and the job we do for the taxpayers of our counties. This communication is important so that when you call and write them to support our bills they will respond by voting in our favor. They listen to those who legislation effects when passed, if there is an open line of communication. So continue to talk, write and visit them when they are in your area.

To date the ugly dragon saying the words “Abolish the County Treasurer’s Office” has not been heard nor seen around the Capitol. Let us keep it that way by prudently doing our jobs for the taxpayers of our counties.

I look forward to seeing each of you in Austin April 21-24, 2009 for our 37th Annual County Treasurer’s Continuing Education Seminar. We have a great program scheduled with needed information for the betterment of our jobs.

As I close I want to remind you of my theme for the year – “Treasurers – Dedicated to the Future of County Government”. That is how I see us, not only doing the job we were elected to, but also looking for the future and the platform we have made for those that follow.

Truly yours,

Sharon L. Reynolds
President of CTAT

CTAT
COUNTY TREASURER’S ASSOCIATION OF TEXAS
MARCH 2009
### 37th Annual County Treasurers’ Continuing Education Seminar

**April 20-24, 2009**  
Double Tree North Austin Hotel, 6505 IH-35 North

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**Opening General Session**

| 1:00 p.m. – 1:20 p.m. | Call to Order, Announcements and Welcome |
| 1:20 p.m. – 2:10 p.m. | IRS Audits: Panel Presentation |
| 2:10 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. | $55 Financial Investment Safety |
| 3:00 p.m. – 3:20 p.m. | Refreshment Break |

**Concurrent Workshops**

| 3:20 p.m. – 4:10 p.m. | Hiring and Firing  
|  | An In Depth Review of IRS Audits  
|  | Paying Election Workers  
|  | Collecting Delinquent Taxes |

**Concurrent Workshops Repeated**

| 4:20 p.m. – 5:10 p.m. | Hiring and Firing  
|  | An In Depth Review of IRS Audits  
|  | Paying Election Workers  
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**General Session**

| 8:00 a.m. |  |
| 8:10 a.m. – 9:00 a.m. | $55 Public Funds Collateral Act |
| 9:00 a.m. – 9:50 a.m. | Attorney General Opinions |
| 9:50 a.m. – 10:10 a.m. | Refreshment Break |
| 10:10 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. | Cafeteria 125 |
| 11:00 a.m. – 11:50 a.m. | $55 Economic Forecast |
| 11:50 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. | Lunch – On Your Own |
| 1:30 p.m. – 2:20 p.m. | $55 Investment Policy |
| 2:20 p.m. – 3:10 p.m. | Fines and Fees |
| 3:10 p.m. – 3:30 p.m. | Refreshment Break |
Concurrent Workshops
3:30 p.m. – 4:20 p.m.  Electronic Timekeeping
Courtcase Connections: Justice of the Peace
Deciphering Fines and Fees Reports: Panel Presentation
GASE 43 and 45

Concurrent Workshops Repeated
4:30 p.m. – 5:20 p.m.  Electronic Timekeeping
Courtcase Connections: Justice of the Peace
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Thursday, April 23, 2009
8:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.  Exhibits and Internet Cafe Open

General Session
9:00 a.m.  Call to Order
9:10 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.  Update on the CTAT Resource Guide and Listserv
9:30 a.m. – 9:50 a.m.  Legislative Update
9:50 a.m. – 10:10 a.m.  Refreshment Break

Concurrent Workshops
10:10 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.  Overtime
Understanding Financial Statements
Appropriations 101
Underserved Property

Concurrent Workshops Repeated
11:10 a.m. – 12:00 noon  Overtime
Understanding Financial Statements
Appropriations 101
Underserved Property

1:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.  CTAT to the Capitol

6:30 p.m.  Silent Auction and Banquet

Friday, April 24, 2009
8:00 a.m. – 9:40 a.m.  Round Table Discussions
9:40 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.  Refreshment Break

Closing General Session
10:00 a.m.  Call to Order
10:10 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.  Dealing with Difficult People
11:00 a.m. – 11:50 a.m.  $$$ Safety, Liquidity and Yield
12:00 noon  Adjourn

Sessions marked with "$$" will apply as Public Funds Investment Act (PFA) training. Application will be made for persons attending all sessions to receive twenty (20) hours of continuing education, equivalent to 2.0 CEUs from the Continuing and Professional Studies Office at Texas A&M University.

Sponsored as a program of The V.O. Young Institute of County Government, a part of the Texas AgriLife Extension Service, in cooperation with the County Treasurers' Association of Texas and the Continuing and Professional Studies Office at Texas A&M University. This program is a draft and is subject to change.

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How do I apply? Go to www.ctax.org. Click on List serve/Scholarship Information. Print out the CTAT Scholarship form. Complete all pages.

When is the deadline? All completed forms must be mailed to Sherry Enloe, Shackelford County Treasurer, by April 8, 2009. If you have additional questions, contact Sherry at (325) 762-2232 ext 5 or by email at sherryenloe@abcglobal.net.

Choosing scholarship recipients is a tough decision by the Scholarship Committee, so the sooner you can get your application in to them, the more time they will have to review each one carefully.

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DATES TO REMEMBER

April 15-17, 2009 TAC County Management Institute, Austin, Doubletree Hotel
April 16, 2009 Texas County and District Retirement System Training, Austin, TCDRS building
April 20-24, 2009 37th Annual County Treasurers' Continuing Education Seminar, Austin, Double Tree North Hotel
May 3-9, 2009 COUNTY GOVERNMENT WEEK
June 8-11, 2009 TAC County Investment Officer Level II training, Kerrville, Inn of the Hills
July 24-28, 2009 National Association of Counties Annual Conference, Nashville, Tennessee
August 21-26, 2009 TAC Annual Conference, Austin, Hilton Downtown
September 14-18, 2009 61st Annual Treasurers Association Conference, Denton, Embassy Suites Outdoor World Hotel
October 4-10, 2009 TAC County Investment Officer Level I training, Austin, TAC training room
November 19-20, 2009 TAC TX Public Funds Investment Conference, Houston, Renaissance Houston Hotel
April 12-13, 2010 38th Annual County Treasurers' Continuing Education Seminar, College Station, Hilton

TAC – Texas Association of Counties www.county.org
GTOT - Government Treasurers Organization of Texas www.gtot.net
GFOA – Government Finance Officers Association of Texas www.gfoa.org
Public Funds Investment Act www.unm.edu/copm/schedule.htm
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For a full list of all committee members and Treasurers, please logon to the CTAT website at www.ctatx.org.
GETTING TO KNOW....
Barry McCallister
Pecos County Treasurer

Number of years as County Treasurer: 19
Number of years in public service: 19
Our County seat is in: Fort Stockton
Number of employees in my office: 1
Number of employees in our county: 185

Fun things to do in our county: Golf, hunting, swimming
I'm most proud of: Running the Blaine McCallister Invitational Golf Tournament and raising money for our Jr. Golf Program. I donate funds to the school for golf trips, equipment and for scholarships.

My dream is: Watch my kids and grand-kids grow up healthy and happy.
My hobbies are: Golf, hunting and fishing.
My pet peeve is: My pet peeve is filling out these things! Just kidding.

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Nominee for the National Outstanding Treasurer
Charlie Jones, Bell County Treasurer was one of three nominees for the NACo National Outstanding Treasurers. What an outstanding accomplishment to be nominated for a national award.

Three Treasurers graduate from the Texas Association of Counties Leadership Foundation Program
Sharon Reynolds Brazoria County Treasurer, Janie Benefield, Wheeler County Treasurer and Delores Ortega Carter, Travis County Treasurer recently completed TAC's Leadership Foundation Program. This program focuses on developing leadership skills that will help county officials communicate effectively, meet specific needs and prepare for the future. Congratulations on going the extra mile.

Retirements:
Joyce Chalk, Sutton Co Treasurer & Janice Floyd, Kinney Co Treasurer retired December 31, 2008. We wish them all the best!

Resignation:
Former Henderon County Treasurer Karin Smith has resigned her position to take a job in the Henderson County Auditor's office.

Our heartfelt sympathies go out to the families of the following:
- Erath County Treasurer, Donna Kelly, in the passing of her mother Laverta Bennettfield on July 8, 2008.
- Brazos County Treasurer, Kay Hamilton, in the passing of her spouse, Morris "Buzz" on October 12, 2008.
- Howard County Treasurer, Teresa Thomas, in the passing of her spouse, Randy on October 31, 2008.
- Palo Pinto County Treasurer, Mary Motley, in the passing of her spouse, Herman in November 2008.
- Previous Hunt County Treasurer Allie Cole Pierce died December 19, 2008.
- Gillespie County Treasurer, Laura Lundquist, in the passing of her mother, Laura Craig on February 12, 2009.
- Brazoria County Treasurer, Sharon Reynolds, in the passing of her father in law, Weldon Reynolds on March 3, 2009.
- Somervell County Treasurer, Barbara Hudson, in the passing of her son, Rhett Thielbaur, on March 10, 2009.
- Previous Taylor County Treasurer Mizzelle Holloway Thomas died March 7, 2009.

Colton Reid Doudrel was born on August 4, 2008 to Cristina Doudrel, Eastland County Treasurer. Congratulations on your baby boy!!

MARCH 2009
New Treasurers Sworn in:
Michael Bynum, Henderson County Treasurer effective February 25, 2009.
Diana Gutierrez, Kinney County Treasurer effective January 1, 2009.
Janalyn Jones, Sutton County Treasurer effective January 1, 2009.
Let’s make sure they are welcomed and offer assistance as they settle into their new positions.

Dallas County receives award for delinquent tax program
Dallas County's auditor and treasurer have received an award for an innovative new program to collect delinquent taxes from vendors by withholding payments. The Texas Association of Counties selected Dallas County's initiative for the financial/general management category of its best-practices awards. Congratulations to Dallas County Treasurer, Joe Wells for his accomplishment.

TAC to Track Education Hours
The Texas Association of Counties has graciously accepted the duties of tracking County Treasurer Continuing Education hours. We would like to extend a huge “Thank You” to Bill Helton, McLennan County Treasurer for all of his hard work tracking CTAT hours these past years as we know it was a huge task.

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MARCH 2009
CTAT Annual Conference  September 14 – 18, 2009

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Bass Pro Shops Outdoor World—200,000 square feet of retail devoted to outdoor activities. This sports enthusiast’s dream store also features the Big Buck Brewery & Snackhouse!

Main Street Historic District—Downtown Grapevine has more than 75 lovingly restored historic structures that are home to a plethora of shops, gift shops, tea rooms, clothing boutiques, home accessories, antique stores, and a farmers market!

Grapevine Vintage Railroad—Excursions to Fort Worth’s historic Stockyards Station. Climb aboard and enjoy the beautifully restored Victorian coaches and open-air patio cars.

Grapevine Heritage Belt Railroad Historic District—Home to the Visitor Information Center, the Grapevine Vintage Railroad, the Grapevine Historical Museum, and several historic structures with working artisans including a blacksmith and foundry.

The Grapevine Opry—Some of the best Country & Western entertainers in the Metroplex! Enjoy live performances every Sunday night and special “themed” shows monthly at the newly renovated Palace Theatre.

Golf—Grapevine is home to three championship-rated public golf courses offering 18 holes of golf. These courses are designed by world-renowned legends, Arnold Palmer, Jack Nicklaus, and Nicklaus Design.

2009 CTAT Conference

Itinerary (In-Brief)

Monday, September 14, 2009
Travel Day for committee members

Golf Tournament
Registration Open from 3 – 5 p.m.

Tuesday, September 15, 2009
Travel Day for non committee members
Registration Opens at 8:00 a.m.
Committee Meetings start at 9 a.m.

Evening Reception

Wednesday, September 16, 2009
Conference convenes at 9:00 a.m.
Morning training sessions/Vendor Fair

CTAT Business Meeting - Luncheon Afternoon training sessions Evening Event

Thursday, September 17, 2009
Morning training starts at 9:00 a.m.
Lunch on your own Afternoon training sessions Banquet & Silent Auction

Friday, September 18, 2009
CTAT Board Meeting starts at 8:30 a.m.

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The marvelous richness of human experience would lose something of rewarding joy if there were no limitations to overcome. The hilltop hour would not be half so wonderful if there were no dark valleys to traverse.

- Helen Keller
Taylor County Treasurer
Lesa Crosswhite
Awarded
CTAT OUTSTANDING TREASURER 2008

Taylor County Treasurer, Lesa Crosswhite was awarded the 2008 Texas Outstanding County Treasurer at the CTAT conference held November 2008 in McAllen.

Lesa hit the ground running after being appointed Taylor County Treasurer in November 1997. She immediately became involved in the County Treasurers Association of Texas by serving on numerous committees including the Scholarship committee, Education committee, Fundraising committee, Legislative committee and the Constitution and Bylaws committee. Her hard work sent her to the top of the association when she took the gavel as president in 2006-2007.

She worked hard and brought CTAT through a tough legislative year even while dealing with wearisome times as her son Preston fought a terrible battle to repair his hands.

Lesa, we all thank you for your leadership and because of you, our association is stronger.