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# President's Message

See you at the  
2007 TLA  
Convention  
Feb. 14-18

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## Texas License Verification

If you are curious as to whether an individual or company is licensed through the Department of Public Safety, it is simple to research on the DPS web site. To do so, just follow these steps:

1. Go to the Texas DPS Private Security Board Web Page at <http://www.tcps.state.tx.us>
2. On the Bottom Left, Select Search Individual or Search Company.
3. Enter Known Information
4. Press Enter, or Select Search

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*I encourage you to Subscribe to TLA's eMailing List to receive important announcements and the most up-to-date information as it is posted. By subscribing, you will also save the Association printing and mailing costs.*

### TEXAS LEGISLATIVE FUND

The Texas Locksmiths Association monitors legislation, licensing, and regulation to look after the interests of locksmiths in Texas. A portion of the membership dues helps maintain this program, but additional contributions are needed. Those wishing to support this effort with a donation or donate items for auction, please contact a member of the board or call 1-877-TLA-INFO.

#### UP COMING EVENTS

JANUARY	FEBRUARY
1 NEW YEARS DAY	8 LASA MEETS
8 ALNT MEETS	12 ALNT MEETS
9 GHLA MEETS	13 GHLA MEETS
11 LASA MEETS	<b>14-18 TLA CONVENTION</b>
15 GDLA MEETS	19 GDLA MEETS

**Visit TLA's Website at [www.texaslocksmiths.org](http://www.texaslocksmiths.org)**



TLA IS AN AFFILIATE MEMBER OF ALOA  
[www.aloa.org](http://www.aloa.org)

## **MEMBERSHIP**

The following persons have applied for membership in the Texas Locksmiths Association.

Applicants will be listed in the Advisor for a period of 30 days to allow members the opportunity to identify any applicant that may be deemed "not suitable" for membership and allow proper notification of the Secretary, Colleen McAdoo at 832-593-8755 or email [sec@texaslocksmiths.org](mailto:sec@texaslocksmiths.org), of such applicant.

*Due to the recent bylaw change requiring posing for 30 days, all previous applicants have been published and were approved by the Board.*

Anica Delgado, Victoria, TX  
Carl Beckom, Ft. Hood, TX  
Christopher Guillory, Lewisville, TX  
Kevin Keith, Abilene, TX  
Michael Mattson, Houston, TX  
Jo Anna Haswell, Houston, TX

## ***Texas Locksmith Association***

c/o P.O. Box 308  
Borger, Texas 79008-0308

Dear Valued supporter of the Texas Locksmith Association,

We hope this short note finds all of you well, in good health, and your business booming. My name is Robert Vinyard, I am a board member of the Texas Locksmith Association and I am assisting Mr. Jim Hetchler with a task to see that all of the companies that wish to continue with advertisements in the TLA "Advisor" are properly registered and billed for. It has been discovered that the previous party(s) responsible, was not diligent in making sure that advertisement fees were assessed on a timely fashion. This short note is just to inform you that if any published ad is not currently being billed for in this 2006 year, not to worry. We realize that this was not your fault. However, we would like all companies that desire to continue advertisement in the TLA Advisor, to do so by completing the attached application form, and returning it as soon as practical. All currently printed ads will discontinue as of Jan. 1, 07. We would appreciate your early response so as to not interrupt your current advertisement in the Advisor. Thank you for your valued support of the TLA and if we can be of any assistance or answer any questions you may have, please feel free to ask.

# TLA LONGHORN AWARD

The Texas Locksmiths Association recognizes a member of our association each year through presentation of the TLA Longhorn Award.

The person recognized must have provided extended unselfish devotion to the Texas Locksmiths Association without compensation, and through those efforts have made TLA a better association with lasting results.

The award is patterned after the most prestigious locksmith industry award, The Philadelphia Award.

Some members having received the award include:

Larry McCall	Howard Johnsen	Bill Reed
Gerald Connelly	Breck Camp	Herman Stroud
Judy Clifford	Rex Parmelee	Wanda Clark
Andrea Dee Buchs	James P. Rushing	Butch Titus
Pat Titus	ALOA	Dan Floeck

\*TO PLACE YOUR NOMINATION FOR THIS AWARD, PLEASE FILL OUT THE FOLLOWING FORM AND RETURN TO THE AWARDS CHAIRMAN NO LATER THAN FEBRUARY 1, 2007.

Roy Yetter, Awards Chairman  
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president@texaslocksmiths.org

I, \_\_\_\_\_ nominate \_\_\_\_\_  
As a candidate for receipt of the TLA Longhorn Award based on the following:

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*(attach separate page if needed.)*

**Visit TLA's Website at  
[www.texaslocksmiths.org](http://www.texaslocksmiths.org)**

**SUBMISSIONS TO TEXAS LOCKSMITHS ADVISOR**

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Tips & Tricks, News & Class/Event Information to the Editor by:**

**Email to: [TLA\\_Newsletter@hotmail.com](mailto:TLA_Newsletter@hotmail.com)**

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**Steve Sandlin**

**63A Summer Pl.**

**Huntsville, TX 77340**

*Submissions for inclusion in this publication must be received by the 10th of the month prior to the publication date. E.g., Submissions for the February issue must be received by January 10.*

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# TLA Convention Set for Feb. 14-18

Don't forget about the TLA convention set for the Sofitel Hotel in Houston February 14-18. The convention has some great classes and seminars scheduled, along with plenty of fun. As usual, there will be a casino night and plenty of other chances to get together and have a great time rubbing shoulders with fellow locksmiths, spouses and suppliers. HL Flake company has a tour lined up with complimentary food, and there will be chances to win a large number of great prizes at various events throughout the convention.

The convention booklet is on its way to you. You may also visit the TLA website at [www.texaslocksmiths.org](http://www.texaslocksmiths.org) for updated details as they become available. The TLA business meeting is also on the agenda. Be sure to take a look at all the classes and education opportunities.

Be sure to attend.....it's YOUR TLA!

# LIFE MEMBER NOMINATION FORM

BASED ON OUTSTANDING SERVICE TO THE ASSOCIATION

I, \_\_\_\_\_ nominate \_\_\_\_\_

for a life membership in the Texas Locksmiths Association.

I feel this member qualifies for Life Membership based on the reasons indicated below: *(please check all that apply.)*

- Has served on the TLA Board
- Has served on TLA committees
- Has written articles for TLA *Advisor*
- Has been a TLA member for \_\_\_\_\_ years
- Has taught classes for TLA
- Has formed classes for TLA
- Has served as Director to TLA

Local Association affiliation \_\_\_\_\_

*\*Please understand that not every nominee for Life Membership may receive one; we are limited to the number of awards we may offer each year. In case of multiple nominations, awards will be given based on the nominee's contributions to the association.*

**THIS FORM MUST BE RETURNED TO THE AWARDS CHAIRMAN  
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# Texas Locksmith Association

Associate Membership  
"Advisor" Advertisement  
Application Form

Firm: \_\_\_\_\_  
Attn: \_\_\_\_\_ Title: \_\_\_\_\_  
Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_  
E-Mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Note: These ads are business card style ads. We need your camera ready art work ie business card, in order to place this ad in our "Advisor" monthly booklet. By signing this application form, you authorize the Texas Locksmith Association to use any or all of your registered trademark art work in its "Advisor " booklet and Hold Harmless the Texas Locksmith Association for this act.

This application for advertisement will be in effect for a period of one year, from Jan 1, 07 to Dec.31, 07. The fee for this business card ad in the "Advisor" is \$75.00 per year.

*Thank you, for supporting your Texas Locksmith Association in this way.....*

Authorized signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Printed name \_\_\_\_\_

Please return your artwork, signed application, and fee to;

**Colleen McAdoo -TLA Sect.**  
5023 Addicks Satsuma Road  
**Houston, Texas 77084**  
**Ph (832) 893-8755**  
**e-mail [sec@texaslocksmith.org](mailto:sec@texaslocksmith.org)**

For TLA use only

Date application received \_\_\_\_\_

Date application approved \_\_\_\_\_

Artwork received yes \_\_\_\_\_ no \_\_\_\_\_

Check number \_\_\_\_\_

**GEORGE ROBBINS MEMORIAL EDUCATION AWARD**

This award was established to recognize a member of the industry for his/her outstanding accomplishments in the field of educational service to the Texas Locksmiths Association.

Recipients of this award must have qualifications in teaching, planning, and/or managing educational classes for the Texas Locksmiths Association. Nominees should meet one or more of these accomplishments to qualify.

Some past recipients include:

Rex Parmelee	James P. Rushing	Buddy Clifford
Bill Reed	Kenny Lee	Steve Young
Gus Pena	Jerry McNickle	Wanda Clark
Judy Clifford	Keith Knott	Jim Hetchler

\*TO MAKE YOUR NOMINATION, PLEASE FILL OUT THE FOLLOWING FORM AND RETURN TO THE AWARDS CHAIRMAN NO LATER THAN FEBRUARY 1, 2007.

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I, \_\_\_\_\_ nominate \_\_\_\_\_  
For the George Robbins Education Award based on the following:

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*(use additional page if needed.)*

# LockPAC Pledge Card

## *One for One*

*(One service call fee for One year)*

The Texas Locksmith Association needs your help! The future of OUR industry is in our hands. If you want the laws of this state to reflect your wishes, and be passed into law in a way that benefits all locksmiths of our great state, then TLA is asking for two things of you.

1. Would you pledge one service call fee a month for one year?
2. Would you make an honest attempt to sign up a non –member. The leaders of our state must see that the TLA represents the majority.

**If each one of the companies currently a member of TLA pledge the above, we would double our membership to about 1000 in a year! And provide OUR lobbyist the tools to work on our behalf. Invest in your future. The license laws are new, and will change! Let's make sure they change in our favor! Please sign up today!**

I, \_\_\_\_\_ will pledge one service call fee per month for one year to support our lobbyist efforts, and I will contact one non-member and ask him to join TLA.

It's that simple! You my mail in your pledge monthly, quarterly, or yearly. Thank you in advance for being responsible with our future, together.

*TLA Board of Directors.....*

Company Name: \_\_\_\_\_

TLA Member Number: \_\_\_\_\_

## **GENERAL INFORMATION**

PLEASE read the contents of this booklet carefully and fill out completely where applicable. Return the registration form along with your fees to:

Colleen McAdoo  
TLA secretary  
5023 Addicks Satsuma Ste. E  
Houston, TX 77084

**REGISTRATION:** You may pick your pre-registered packets up on Tuesday evening from 7:00PM – 9:00PM. Wednesday, Thursday and Friday from 7:30AM-7:00PM. All tickets and receipts will be held for your arrival and check in at the TLA registration booth.

To qualify as PRE-REGISTERED, the Secretary must receive your forms no later than January 16, 2007.

**GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING:** The general membership meeting and election of officers will be held at 7:30 PM on Friday night. Each member attending will have a chance to win some great door prizes which include (3) \$100.00 bills, free classes, free hotel room night, to mention a few. PLEASE attend the meeting, we need your support! Must be current in dues to vote!

**SATURDAY:** Exhibits are open from 9:00 AM – 4:00 PM. There will be many great door prizes given away during the exhibits. The annual TLA "Casino Night" will be held Saturday night, which will benefit the Scholarship Fund. We will have a great sit down dinner, fun, games, door prizes, awards and cash bar. Tickets are a bargain at \$30.00 each.

**SATURDAY:** The Associated Locksmiths of America will be proctoring the PRP test beginning at 8:00 AM. You must use the enclosed forms to register with ALOA.

**DO NOT SEND THE ALOA PRP FORM TO THE TLA SECRETARY!**

**TEXAS LOCKSMITHS ASSOCIATION**

2007 CONVENTION REGISTRATION FORM

YOU **MUST** REGISTER TO ATTEND; YOUR BADGE IS YOUR ADMIS-  
SION INTO EXHIBITS, CLASSES, AND EVENTS. NO ENTRY WITHOUT  
YOUR BADGE.

**PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT PLAINLY AS IT SOULD APPEAR  
ON BADGE AND CERTIFICATES.**

NAME \_\_\_\_\_ -TLA # \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

PHONE \_\_\_\_\_ -EMAIL \_\_\_\_\_

BUSINESS NAME \_\_\_\_\_

BUSINESS ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

DUES PMT. (\$50.00/YEAR \_\_\_\_\_) \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**REGISTRATION**

\_\_\_\_\_ TLA MEMBER \$15 before 2/1/07 \$25 after 2/1/07 \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ NON MEMBER \$30 before 2/1/07 \$50 after 2/1/07 \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ SPOUSE (\*name) \_\_\_\_\_

\$5 before 2/1/07 \$10 after 2/1/07 \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Child over 12 \_\_\_\_\_

\$5 before 2/1/07 \$10 after 2/1/07 \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ BANQUET/PARTY (SATURDAY NIGHT) \$30 EA \_\_\_\_\_

**SUBTOTAL/REGISTRATION**

**PLEASE REVIEW THE CHART OF CLASS PRICES CAREFULLY.  
EACH CLASS HAS 3 DIFFERENT PRICES! YOU MUST ADD \$25.00  
TO EACH CLASS PRICE AFTER 2/1/07 OR YOUR REGISTRATION  
WILL BE RETURNED.**

**ADD \$25.00 TO EACH PRICE AFTER 2/07/07**

		<i>Other</i>			
	<i>TLA mem.</i>	<i>assn mem.</i>	<i>Non-mem</i>	<i>Amount</i>	
<i>Wednesday</i>					
_____ #1 Computers	\$75	\$100	\$125		_____
_____ #2 Basic Locksmithing	\$175	\$200	\$225		_____
_____ #3 Safe Manipulation	\$325	\$350	\$375		_____
_____ #4 Domestic Auto	\$175	\$200	\$225		_____
_____ #5 Masterkeying	\$200	\$225	\$250		_____
_____ #6 Basic Electricity	\$75	\$125	\$150		_____
<i>Thursday</i>					
_____ #7 Lock Picking	\$100	\$125	\$150		_____
_____ #8 Financial Management	\$200	\$225	\$250		_____
_____ #9 H/S Auto Intro	\$200	\$225	\$250		_____
_____ #10 Auto Key Generation	\$175	\$200	\$225		_____
_____ #11 Access Control	\$100	\$125	\$150		_____
<i>Friday</i>					
_____ #12 Defense Against Entry	\$100	\$125	\$150		_____
_____ #13 Safe Deposit	\$100	\$125	\$150		_____
_____ #14 Locksmith Intermediate	\$100	\$125	\$150		_____
_____ #15 Elec. Safe Locks	\$200	\$225	\$250		_____
_____ #16 Transponders	\$200	\$225	\$250		_____
_____ #17 Motorcycle Key Gen.	\$200	\$225	\$250		_____
_____ #18 CCTV	\$100	\$125	\$150		_____
<i>Sunday</i>					
_____ #19 Safes for Dummies	\$100	\$125	\$150		_____
_____ #20 Impressioning	\$100	\$125	\$150		_____
_____ #21 Auto tricks and tips	\$100	\$125	\$150		_____
_____ #22 Electrified Door Hdw.	\$100	\$125	\$150		_____
_____ #23 Ethics	\$10	\$10	\$10		_____

**NOTE: ETHICS FREE IF TAKING OTHER CLASSES**

**SUBTOTAL CLASSES \$ \_\_\_\_\_**

**TOTAL FEES ENCLOSED**

**(Registration fees from previous page + this page classes \$ \_\_\_\_\_)**

PLEASE MAIL FORM TO: TLA SECRETARY  
5023 Addicks Satsuma Ste. E  
Houston, TX 77084

**CREDIT CARD USERS**

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Name on card \_\_\_\_\_ \$ Rcvd \_\_\_\_\_

Number \_\_\_\_\_ Rcpt # \_\_\_\_\_

Exp. Date \_\_\_\_\_ Visa                      M/C                      Processed \_\_\_\_\_

*For office use only*

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

# CONVENTION SCHEDULE

## TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 2007

3:00 PM	BOARD MEETS w/HOTEL
4:30 PM	BOARD MEETING
7:00PM-9:00PM	REGISTRATION
7:30PM-9:30PM	PACKET PICKUP ONLY 1st FLOOR CLASSROOM FOYER (PRE-REGISTERED <i>ONLY</i> )

## WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 2007

7:30 AM	REGISTRATION
8:00 AM-5:00 PM	CLASSES
12:00 NOON	CLASS LUNCH
6:00PM-10:00PM	VALENTINES DAY AT HL FLAKE
6:30 PM-10:00 PM	CLINICS AND SEMINARS

## THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 2007

7:30 AM	REGISTRATION
8:00 AM-5:00 PM	CLASSES
12:00 NOON	CLASS LUNCH
6:30 PM-10PM	FREE SEMINARS

## FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 2007

7:30 AM	REGISTRATION
8:00 AM-5:00 PM	CLASSES
9:00 AM	CRAFT CLASS FOR SPOUSES
10:00 AM-FINISH	NOMINATING COMMITTEE
12:00 NOON	CLASS LUNCH
2:00 PM-6:00 PM	EXHIBITOR SETUP
5:30PM-6:30PM	ETHICS FOR LOCKSMITHS
7:30 PM	MEETING AND ELECTIONS

## SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 2007

7:45AM-8:45AM	ETHICS FOR LOCKSMITHS
8:00 AM-COMPLETION	PRP TESTING BY ALOA
8:00 AM-4:00 PM	REGISTRATION
8:00 AM-8:30 AM	EXHIBITOR MEETING
8:45 AM-9:00 AM	RIBBON CUTTING
9:00 AM-4:00 PM	EXHIBITS OPEN
10:30AM-11:00AM	DPS SEMINAR
12:30 PM-1:00 PM	SALES TAX SEMINAR
1:00 PM-3:00 PM	ID BADGES MADE
2:30 PM-3:00 PM	DPS SEMINAR
4:30 PM-5:30 PM	ETHICS FOR LOCKSMITHS
6:30 PM-7:30 PM	PRE-PARTY HAPPY HOUR
7:30 pm-MIDNIGHT	CASINO NIGHT—TICKET REQUIRED CASH BAR, DINNER

## SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 2007

9:00 AM-11:00AM	OFFICER CHANGEOVER MEETING
8:00 AM-5:00 PM	CLASSES

**CHANGE OF ADDRESS**

Complete and Mail to Secretary  
Or email information to [sec@texaslocksmiths.org](mailto:sec@texaslocksmiths.org)

**OLD:**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip \_\_\_\_\_

**NEW:**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone (home) \_\_\_\_\_ (work) \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_ Effective Date \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ FOLD HERE \_\_\_\_\_

**PLACE  
STAMP  
HERE**

**RETURN TO TLA SECRETARY:**

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Houston, TX 77084**