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# President's Message

Another month has quickly gone and the summer heat has set in. I want to thank Dan Floeck from H L Flake for the great job with the road show classes last month. Everyone I have spoken with had a great time. There are still many classes being held around the state at the local association meetings. So if you need training please check with them to get the schedule.

In Houston this past May, the DPS put together a sting operation targeting locksmiths who were defrauding the public. This operation took months of work to put together with the Harris County District Attorney's Office calling most of the shots. The outcome was: two people were jailed, one of the two was deported and three others had their ID checked but were let go. I hope this company and any others like them will get the picture that Texas is no place to defraud the public.

As I prepare to pack for the upcoming ALOA convention, I find it interesting that there is a dress code to attend their classes and convention. I guess it's the sign of the times that a professional organization has to tell its members how to dress. As I think about it, I wonder how these same people present themselves to their customers and the people who pay them for their professional services. I know that a well represented company can demand a higher income than one that looks like a fly by night. Keep that in mind as you prepare for your next meeting with the President of the Company YOU are doing work for.

*A future locksmith announcement;* Our second grandson, "Michael Anthony Gianardi" was born on July 12, weighing in at 7lbs. 13oz. and 21 ½" tall. We'll have pictures to share at ALOA!

*Roy Yetter*  
President

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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**

JULY		AUGUST	
4	INDEPENDENCE DAY	8	GHLA MEETS
8-16	ALOA CONVENTION	10	LASA MEETS
11	GHLA MEETS	16	ALNT MEETS
13	LASA MEETS	21	GDLA MEETS
17	GDLA MEETS		
19	ALNT MEETS		

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**Antique Safe Plates Wanted**

Looking for antique safe plates, both foreign and domestic. If you have any to get rid of, please let me know.

Steve Sandlin 936-435-1324      [steve@steveslockshop.com](mailto:steve@steveslockshop.com)

## **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.*

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# 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: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_, State: \_\_\_\_\_

**Visit TLA's Website at  
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*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 JuLY issue must be received by June 10.*

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## **DPS LICENSING INFORMATION**

The following pages are designed to assist you, the business license holder, to come into compliance for your upcoming visit by the Enforcement agency of the Texas Private Security Board. If you will read all of the attached 1702 Occupation Codes, and Administrative Codes, which are at the bottom of this form, you should have no problem passing this inspection. The agency has been very helpful to provide this information for your edification. Do your part by being ready. Most of us Locksmiths had our licenses grandfathered into this field and now we begin the journey of educating ourselves of it's Laws and Regulations. Your Texas Locksmith Association is doing what it can to make your membership worth having. We hope you find this informative and helpful with your visit from the Texas Private Security Board.

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## ***RECORDS INSPECTION SHEET***

Employee Records Inspection

Date

*License Number:*

*Company Name:*

*Company Address:*

*Employee Name:*

*Date of Employment:*

*Position:*

*Address:*

*Social Security Number:*

*Last Date of Employment:*

*Date of Birth:*

*Place of Birth:*

*Color Photograph: ( on file, recommend two )*

*Pre employment Check:*

*Does Company have Business License Displayed?*

*Does Company have a Consumer sign displayed?*

### **Rule information for above:**

35.201 - Licensed companies shall keep records of all registered or commissioned employees. Records shall be maintained for a period of two years from last date of employment. The above records shall be maintained.

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**35.203 – All records required to be kept under the provisions of the Act and these rules shall be made available for inspection by bureau staff during normal business hours.**

**35.204 – The employer of a commissioned security officer or registrant shall exercise due diligence in ensuring that an applicant's qualifications meet the provisions of 1702.113 of the Act, prior to duty assignment.**

**1702.113 states the following:**

**GENERAL QUALIFICATIONS FOR LICENSE**

**An applicant for a license or the applicant's manager must be at least 18 years of age and must not:**

**have been convicted in any jurisdiction of a Class A misdemeanor or equivalent offence or greater offence, unless a full pardon has been granted for reasons relating to a wrongful conviction;**

**Have been convicted in any jurisdiction of a Class B misdemeanor or equivalent offence for which the fifth anniversary of the date of conviction has not occurred before the date of application, unless a full pardon has been granted for reasons relating to a wrongful conviction;**

**have been found by a court to be incompetent by reason of a mental defect or disease and not have been restored to competency;**

**be suffering from habitual drunkenness or from narcotics addiction or dependence; or**

**have been discharged from the United States armed services under other than honorable conditions.**

**The commission may deny an application for a license if the applicant has been convicted in any jurisdiction of a Class B misdemeanor or equivalent offence if the fifth anniversary of the date of conviction has occurred before the date of application, unless a full pardon has been granted for reasons relating to a wrongful conviction.**

**1702.128 – Posting of License Required**

**A license holder shall at all times post:**

**the person's license in a conspicuous place of business of the license holder; and**

**each branch office in a conspicuous place in each branch office of the license holder.**

**1702.129 – Notice of Certain Changes; Branch offices.**

**A license holder shall notify the commission not later than 14<sup>th</sup> day after the date of:**

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a change of address for the license holder's principal place of business:

a change of a name under which the license holder does business; or

a change in the license holder's offices or partners,

A license holder shall notify the commission in writing not later than the 14<sup>th</sup> day after the date a branch office:

is established;

is closed; or

changes address or location.

#### **1702.131 – Advertising**

An advertisement by a license holder soliciting or advertising business must contain the license holder's company name and address as stated in commission records.

#### **Rule 35.36 – Consumer Information**

A licensee shall notify consumers or recipients of the name, mailing address, and telephone number of the bureau on each written contract for service.

A licensed company must display prominently in the principal place of business and any branch office, a sign containing the name, mailing address, and telephone number of the bureau, and a statement informing consumers or recipients of services that a complaint against licensees can be directed to the bureau.

Signs required to be displayed in the place of business of a licensed company shall be obtained from the bureau.

# GHILA Announces Classes

G.H.L.A. Announces 2006 Class Schedule  
(Greater Houston Locksmiths Assn.)

July 2006 (day to be determined)	Safe Class Instructor: Shawn Robbins
August 2006 (day to be determined)	Safe Deposit Box Servicing Instructor: Mike Clark
September 9, 2006	Intermediate Locksmithing Instructor: C.D. Lipscomb, CML
October 21, 2006	Masterkeying Instructor: Keith Cox
November 4, 2006	Picking & Impressioning Instructor: C.D. Lipscomb, CML

All classes will give licensed locksmith 8 hours of CEC credits, **ETHICS** will give licensed locksmith the REQUIRED 1 hour CEC. Classes are held at the H.L. Flake Company in Houston and with the exception of **ETHICS** begin at 8:00AM and end at 5:00PM.

For information contact: Judy Clifford  
[anchor@houston.rr.com](mailto:anchor@houston.rr.com)

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## Pocket Card Renewal

Most Texas Locksmiths will soon need to renew their pocket card. Remember to budget an additional \$50 for this item. You'll also need a suitable photo to laminate with the card as before. Renewal can be done on line through the DPS web site.

# ALO A '06

**CELEBRATE 50 YEARS OF ALOA**

**2006 CONVENTION AND SECURITY EXPO**

**JULY 8-16, 2006**

**LAS VEGAS CONVENTION CENTER**

**EDUCATION EXHIBITS EVENTS**

***Visit <http://www.aloa.org>***

***Trade show July 13-15***

**Drive home in a  
1956 Thunderbird!**

# **ALOA SCHEDULE**

**SATURDAY 7/8** Registration 1-5 classes full day

**SUNDAY 7/9** Registration 7-5 classes full day

**MONDAY 7/10** Registration 7:30-5:30 classes full day

**TUESDAY 7/11** Registration 7:30-5:30 classes full day

**WEDNESDAY 7/12** Registration 7:30-5:30 classes full day

**THURSDAY 7/13** Registration 9-5:30 Security Expo 12-5

**FRIDAY 7/14** Registration 7:30-5 8-11 classes 12-4 expo

**SATURDAY 7/15** Registration 7:30-2 classes 8-11 12-4 expo

**SUNDAY 7/16** Registration 7:30 classes full day

## ***SPECIAL EVENTS***

**WEDNESDAY 7/12** ALOA OPEN GOLF TOURNAMENT  
KICKOFF PARTY/AUCTION

**THURSDAY 7/13** MEMBERSHIP MEETING  
EVENING PRP EXAM

**FRIDAY 7/14** SECURITY EXPO, STATE OF THE STATE  
ROUNDTABLE

**SATURDAY 7/15** DINNER BANQUET

## **IN WITH THE NEW, OUT WITH THE OLD!**

Very little in life is stagnant. Things change, old ideas go away replaced by the new, intentions of the mind, loves, likes, dislikes, life!

The TLA Board is now mostly made up of new members. Some of the old members of the board become frustrated because things aren't the same. Things don't move as fast. When I was President the past two years I was warned before both Conventions that it was going to be a disaster. I was told this by existing board members, former board members and past Presidents. Both Conventions turned out to be two of the best we have had in years.

I, as opposed to them, prefer to look at the cup as half – full.... I am now getting complaints from old board members that everything is going to hell. Well I would guess it depends on which direction you are looking. Up or Down?

I made some inquiries and became proactive as opposed to sitting there complaining. Once member emails me and asks what am I going to do about it? "I"??? How about we or you?

I made one inquiry and asked some questions of the current President. It appears to me that everything is going OK. I asked the former Treasury Bill Bybee if would reconsider coming back to the post and he said, "Yes". The Board has a "CPA" now doing the books and postings as according to law.

There are some problems with the membership roster which I am looking into and have asked for the copy of the membership database to see if I can help out.

So I don't know why others that seem to have complaints cannot instead offer to help out instead?

It just seems like everything in the U.S. today is controlled by the negative and the minority. It is really frustrating.

I am no longer a voting member of the Board of Directors like most everyone else. But I can still help and offer positive suggestions.

TLA Board spends 90% of their time preparing for the next convention. There will be a Board meeting in August north of Houston. If your cup is half – empty stay home! If on the other hand you are looking up and it is half – full come on down and let us pick your brain.

Jim Hetchler  
Member #1629

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# SAFES NEEDED

## ASSOCIATED LOCKSMITHS OF NORTH TEXAS

The primary focus of the Associated Locksmiths of North Texas is the education not only of our membership, but also other locksmiths who desire to increase their proficiency in our trade. We offer education on the 2nd Monday of each month at our monthly meetings (call or email location and topic) and we also offer special classes.

## DAVE McCOMIE'S PENETRATION PARTY WE'LL HELP YOU OPEN YOUR SAFES, BRING 'EM CLASS SIZE: YET TO BE DETERMINED SEPTEMBER 31 AND OCTOBER 1, 2006

**9am TO 6pm**  
**Associated Locksmiths of America**  
**3500 Easy St.**  
**Dallas, TX 75247**

ALNT MEMBERS—\$175  
MEMBERS OF OTHER RECOGNIZED ASSOC.—\$225  
NON-ASSOCIATION MEMBERS—\$275  
**FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION, CONTACT JOAN**  
**YARRINGTON AT 972-754-0856 OR EMAIL AT**  
**NORTHTEXASLOCKSMITHS@USA.NET**

### CLASS APPLICATION

NAME \_\_\_\_\_  
COMPANY \_\_\_\_\_  
ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_  
CITY \_\_\_\_\_ ST \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_  
CONTACT PHONE NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_  
FAX# \_\_\_\_\_ EMAIL \_\_\_\_\_  
Date received \_\_\_\_\_ Amount \_\_\_\_\_ Cash or ck# \_\_\_\_\_

Please send form and fee to:

**John Arnold, c/o Securitex, 1818 N I35E #102, Carrollton, TX 75006**

\*NON-MEMBER SPECIAL: APPLY OR MEMBERSHIP WITH BOTH CLASSES AND WE WILL WAIVE APPLICATION FEE OF \$40.00.

**CHANGE OF ADDRESS**

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Or email information to [sec@texaslocksmiths.org](mailto:sec@texaslocksmiths.org)

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Address \_\_\_\_\_

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

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Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

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

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

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