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President's Message

Dear Fellow Members,

June is the beginning of summer and hot weather, and your TLA board has been working up a sweat on your 2007 Convention. I would like to thank my board members for their diligent efforts for they are paying off. Billy Garrett reports that booth space is going fast, and if you would like to have a particular exhibitor there, let him know so he can contact them.

Last month we announced the location and date of TLA's Convention, it seems that the date interfered with Oklahoma's Convention, so we have rescheduled ours for February 14 - 17, 2007. So please be sure you remark your calendar. Sorry for any inconvenience.

Pocket cards are now up for renewal and I have received a lot of questions regarding them. Recently, I met with Cliff Grumbles of DPS in Austin about some of your questions. Most of the pocket cards expire on the same date but some are different, and some only have one card. If you were issued two pocket cards, one is for Locksmithing and the other is for Access Control. You are required to pay a renewal fee for each one.

Don't forget to attend the ALOA Convention in Las Vegas on July 9-16, 2006.

Roy Yetter

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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

- | JUNE | JULY |
|-----------------------|----------------------|
| 3 GHLA ETHICS | 4 INDEPENDENCE DAY |
| 8 LASA MEETS | 9-16 ALOA CONVENTION |
| 13 GHLA MEETS, ETHICS | 11 GHLA MEETS |
| 14 FLAG DAY | 13 LASA MEETS |
| 19 GDLA MEETS | 17 GDLA MEETS |
| 21 ALNT MEETS | 19 ALNT MEETS |

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.

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TLA SCHOLARSHIPS

TLA awards scholarships to sons and daughters of regular and life members who are entering or already have attended college.

Applicants need to submit a completed application to the Secretary postmarked between April and May 31. Renewals of scholarships must be postmarked between June 15 and July 15.

For more information and to obtain an application, contact the Secretary.

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

Continuing Education

Don't forget that you are required to have a total of eight hours of continuing education credits for your renewal of license. One hour must be an approved ethics class. Several organizations are offering classes. Check with your local associations, TLA, and national associations for class information.

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www.aloa.org

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.....

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TLA Member Number: _____

Address: _____

City: _____, State: _____

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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.

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 14th day after the date of:

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 14th 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.

GHLA Announces Classes

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

June 2006 (day to be determined)	Automotive Locksmithing Instructor: Stacy Hetchler
June 3, 2006	Ethics, Legal, Business
June 13, 2006 6:30PM – 7:30PM	ETHICS (1 hour CEC) Instructor: Dan Floeck
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.

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or www.houstonlocksmiths.org

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Name _____

Address _____

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Email _____ Effective Date _____

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