

2009 TAPPA Conference

The TAPPA 09 Conference was held in Fort Worth, Texas on April 4-7, 2009 at the Hilton Hotel and was hosted by UNT Health Science Center.

Saturday, April 4, 2009: Business Partner Registration (Noon to 5:00 p.m.)
Dallas Cowboy Stadium Tours (Noon and 1:00 p.m.)
TAPPA Board Meeting (5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.)

Sunday, April 5, 2009: Golf Tournament – Fossil Creek (8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.)
Continental Breakfast – (7:00 p.m. to 9:00 a.m.)
Onsite Registration for Facilities (9 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.)
Onsite Registration for Business Partners (9:00 a.m. – 12 p.m.)
Museums Tours (11:30 – 4:30 p.m.)

Monday, April 6, 2009: Conference Registration (8:00 a.m. to noon)

Welcome Breakfast - Monday, April 6, 2009

The Welcome Breakfast was called to order at 7:35 a.m. on Monday, April 6th by Gloria Fuller, Immediate Past President of TAPPA. Gloria welcomed everyone to the conference and thanked all of the business partners for their support and sponsorships. Gloria introduced Dr. Scott Ransom who was our guest speaker and Stephen Barrett, Associate Vice President of Facilities Management at UNT Health Science Center who also spoke briefly. Gloria gave an overview of the activities planned for the day and reminded everyone to participate in the Scavenger Hunt. She also mentioned about the Bass Hall Tour which would take place at 10:00 a.m. Several drawings were held for door prizes and the meeting adjourned at 8:55 a.m.

Lunch was held from noon to 1:30 p.m. in the Crystal Ballroom and drawings were held for several door prizes. Les Swick, Acting President, welcomed everyone to the conference and thanked the business partners who contributed as sponsors and exhibitors for making this the largest conference in TAPPA's history. Special recognition was given to RestorX, Centennial, Composite Cooling Solutions, SchoolDude, Alpha Building Corp., ISES Corporation and Kpost.

The tours for the Health Science Center and The Fort Worth Botanical Gardens Tour would depart the hotel at 1:45 p.m. Another reminder was made about the Scavenger Hunt.

Les announced the buses would leave the hotel at 5:00 p.m. since Casino night would be held at Pearl's Dance Hall in the historic Stockyards. Entertainment would be a surprise and the meal would consist of BBQ. He also announced some very nice gifts would be awarded.

Casino Night & BBQ Dinner – (6:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.) was held at Pearl's Dance Hall and numerous gifts were given away.

Tuesday, April 7, 2009

The TAPPA Breakfast Business Meeting was held on Tuesday, April 7th.

Les welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order at approximately 7:30 a.m. Minutes from the Board Meeting held on Saturday, April 26, 2009 were available for the attendees.

Les Swick, Acting President presented the following names for the 2009 officers as recommended by the board. Les asked if there were any other nominations for these positions from the floor and there were none. Therefore, the following individuals will be sworn in as the 2009 Officers at the Conference Banquet this evening. Nominees for the three (3) vacant director positions will be held at lunch today.

- President – Les Swick
- Vice President – Robert Gentry
- Secretary/Treasurer – Sallie Spotanski
- IT Information Service Officer – Mike Billingsley

Drawings were held for door prizes during the meeting. Les reminded everyone about the Mystery Vendor which would be held this afternoon at the registration desk. An announcement was made about the various technical sessions and the tour to the zoo and stockyards. Also, a reception will be held from 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. in the Crystal Ballroom.

This meeting was adjourned at approximately 8:55 a.m.

Lunch:

The meeting was called to order by Les Swick at 12:10 p.m. Copies of the treasurer's report were available for attendees.

Les presented the following names for the three (3) expired board member positions and ask if there were anymore nominations from the floor and there were none.

- Allen Goldapp, Midwestern State
- Robert Taylor, SMU
- Raymond Martin, San Antonio Health Science Center (wasn't in attendance due to illness)
- Mike Feyen, Wharton County Junior College

The nominees were asked to leave the room and a count was taken. Robert Taylor, Raymond Martin and Allen Goldapp were elected as directors.

Drawings were held for door prizes during the luncheon.

The business meeting adjourned at 1:25 p.m.

Reception: 6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. (Crystal Ballroom)

Conference Banquet: 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. (Crystal Ballroom)

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m. by Gloria Fuller, Immediate Past President. The Lagniappe Productions provided music for the banquet.

The installation of officers was conducted by Gloria Fuller. Gloria gave a brief speech and expressed her appreciation for the support she received during her term and thank the business partners for all of their support in making the 2009 conference such a success. The President's gavel was then presented to Les by Gloria. Les introduced the new officers and directors for the ensuing year and they were sworn in as follows:

- President – Les Swick
- Vice President – Richard Gentry
- Secretary/Treasurer – Sallie Spotanski
- IT Information Service Officer – Mike Billingsley

Directors:

- Allen Goldapp, Midwestern State
- Robert Taylor, SMU
- Raymond Martin, San Antonio Health Science Center
- Shelton Riley, TCU
- Dalton Smith, Kilgore College
- Mike Miller, University of Texas - Austin

Gloria Fuller was presented with a Past President's Award.

The following scholarships were awarded by Les Swick and James Norcom III, Scholarship Chairman:

- **Armko** - \$1,500 presented to Texas A & M International and accepted by Richard Gentry.
- **Siemen's Building Technology** - \$1,500 presented to UNT-Denton and accepted by Ron Tarbuton
- **JonMar Electric** - \$1,000 presented to Wharton County Junior College and accepted by Mike Feyen.
- **W. A. Robbins Company** - \$500.00 presented to UNT Health Science Center and accepted by Stephen Barrett.
- **Centennial** - \$500.00 presented to University of Houston and accepted by James Norcom III.
- **InfraStructure** - \$500.00 presented to University of Houston – Victoria
- **Alpha Products** - \$500.00 presented to University of Houston – Downtown (not present)
- **APPA** - \$1,800 presented to Dallas Theological Seminary – accepted by Dee Littlejohn.
- **Armko** - \$1,500.00 presented to University of Texas – Austin and accepted by Mike Miller (Note: TAPPA will pay for this scholarship).
- **Marcias & Associates** - \$2,500.00 presented to Eastfield College (not present)

Les Swick and Lalo Gomez presented the Emeritus Award to Isabel Aldape. A Distinguished Facilities Service Award was presented to Lalo Gomez by Les and Richard Gentry. Les presented Julio Cisneros with the Business Partner's Distinguished Service Award. Each gave a brief speech thanking everyone for the recognition.

Stephen Barrett expressed his appreciation for the hard work which Gloria Fuller provided as the 2009 Conference Planner, especially since she had just been released from the hospital Friday night before the opening of the conference. Stephen asked for all of the 2009 volunteers to stand and be acknowledged as everyone pulled together to help support Gloria make this conference the best ever.

Les introduced Bryon Dodge who was the guest speaker for the evening.

Dell Computer, Inc. donated a laptop for one of the grand prize drawings at the banquet. Allen Goldapp was the winner.

Several other large prizes were given away during the drawing. Mike Billingsley won the Facilities 37" television drawing and Seimen's Building Technology won the other 37" television from the business partners drawing.

Grand Prize Drawings for Utility Vehicle awarded by Curtis King of Shoppa's: One ticket per registered school was entered for the final drawing and they must be present to win. Winner was University of Texas at Austin and accepted by Mike Miller.

Grand Prize Drawings for Golf Cart awarded by Ben King, Metro Golf Cars: One ticket per registered school was entered for the final drawing and they must be present to win. Winner was Sul Ross State University and accepted by Jim Clouse.

Scott Colley with ACU extended an invitation to all attendee's to Abilene. ACU will be hosting the 2010 Conference and also Jennilee Lattimer with the Abilene Convention and Visitors Bureau also spoke. A very nice handmade garment bag was given away by Hester. The date for the conference would be announced at a later date.

Les again thanked everyone for a wonderful conference and wanted to see them in 2010.

The 2009 conference came to a close at 9:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Sallie Spotanski, Secretary/Treasurer