

2010 TAPPA Conference

The TAPPA 2010 Conference and Business Meeting was held in Abilene, Texas on April 17-20, 2009 at the Abilene Civic Center Exhibit Hall and was hosted by Abilene Christian College. The Conference Hotel was the MCM Elegante Suites.

Saturday, April 17, 2010: Business Partner Registration (Noon to 5:00 p.m.)
General Registration – MCM Elegante Lobby
TAPPA Board Meeting - (3:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.)
Dinner at Perini Ranch, Buffalo Gap, Texas

Sunday, April 18, 2010: Golf Tournament – Diamondback Golf Club (8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.)
General Registration – (12:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.)
Business Partners – Set up & Registration – Abilene Civic Center Exhibit Hall (12:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.)
Frontier Texas Tour (1:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.)

Monday, April 19 2010: Late Registration (8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.) – Civic Center Foyer

Monday, April 19, 2010

The Conference Breakfast was held from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 a.m. at the Abilene Civic Center Conference Room, Kevin Roberts and Scott Colley welcomed everyone to Abilene. Dr. Royce Money, President of ACU, spoke to the attendees, welcomed everyone and several introductions were made.

The Business Partner Exhibits were open from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Technical Presentations were held in various rooms at the center and began at 1:30 p.m. – 3:45 p.m.

The Wind Farm tours were conducted in the morning and afternoon.

All drawings for door prizes were held in the Civic Center Vendor Hall from 4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. and Scott thanked all who donated.

Shuttle Service was provided to Lytle Land Ranch beginning at 5:30 p.m. where dinner and music was enjoyed.

Tuesday, April 20, 2010

Breakfast was held from 7:00 a.m. to 8:45 a.m. at the Civic Center Conference Room. Tad Goetcheus, P.E., Regional Manager for HRP Associates, Inc., Greenville South Carolina, was the speaker. Technical Sessions were held from 10:15 a.m. – through 3:00 p.m.

Annual Business Luncheon (12:30 p.m. – 1:45 p.m.)

Les Swick, President, welcomed everyone and called the business meeting to order at approximately 12:58 p.m. Minutes from the Board Meeting held on Saturday, April 17, 2010, 2009 Annual Conference and Business Meeting April 7, 2009 and the Treasurer's Report was made available for everyone.

Les presented the following names for the 2010 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 2010 Officers at the Conference Banquet this evening.

Officers:

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

Directors: Three (3) vacant director positions were voted on and the following individuals were elected:

Terms to Expire: 2013

Terry Pritchett – Tarleton State
Sally Moore – University of Texas at Austin

Term to Expire: 2011

Gerry Rodriguez – South Texas College

Gloria Fuller was elected to receive the Emeritus Award which would be presented at the banquet tonight.

Les announced the new board takes office on May 1, 2010 and requested everyone to try and attend the Banquet and Awards Dinner tonight which would be held back at the Civic Center Conference Room from 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. Shuttle buses would be available.

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

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

The meeting was called to order at 7:15 p.m. and Dr. Phil Schubert, Executive Vice President, Abilene Christian University was the speaker.

The installation of officers was conducted by Les Swick. Les gave a brief speech and expressed his appreciation for the support he received during his term and thanked the business partners for all of their support in making the 2010 conference such a success.

The President's gavel was the passed to Richard Gentry. Les introduced the new officers and directors for the ensuing year and they were sworn in as follows:

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

Directors:

- Terry Pritchett, Tarleton State
- Robert Taylor, SMU
- Raymond Martin, San Antonio Health Science Center
- Gerry Rodriguez, Jr. – South Texas College
- Dalton Smith, Kilgore College
- Sallie Moore, University of Texas - Austin

Special Awards Presented:

Les Swick - Past President's Award
Gloria Fuller – Emeritus Award
ChemCal, Inc. – Business Partner Award
Mike Billingsley – Distinguished Service Award

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

- **Castro Roofing** - \$500.00 presented to The University of Texas Health Systems – San Antonio, Texas.
- **Holder Construction** - \$500 presented to Tarleton State University
- **Intex Flooring** - \$500.00 presented to TAMIU
- **McBride Electric** - \$500.00 presented to Texas A&M San Antonio
- **TCH Service Co.** - \$500.00 presented to West Texas A&M University
- **TDT Plumbing** - \$500.00 presented to University of Texas - Austin
- **Vaughan Construction** - \$500.00 presented to University of Houston
- **Castro Roofing** - \$500.00 presented to Wharton County Junior College – Richmond
- **Jon Mar Electric** - \$1,000.00 presented to Texas Women's University
- **Millennium Project Solutions** - \$1,000.00 presented to Dallas Theological Seminary
- **Armko** - \$1,500.00 presented to Texas A&M – College Station
- **Seimen's Industries** – \$1,500.00 presented to Abilene Christian University
- **Marcias & Associates** - \$2,500.00 presented to Wharton County Junior College - Wharton

A utility vehicle which was donated by Curtis King of Shoppa's was the grand prize. To be eligible for the drawing one ticket per registered institution was submitted and a representative from that institution must be present. The winner was Abilene Christian University.

Dave Irvin invited everyone to attend the 2011 Conference will would be held in Houston, Texas, April 16-20, 2011.

The 2010 conference came to a close at 8:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Sallie Spotanski, Secretary/Treasurer