

History of the The American Association of Police Polygraphists (AAPP)

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INTRODUCTION: by Antonio "Tony" S. Barrio, AAPP #3.

"Searching our association records I could not find a written account about the events during our formative years that in the past 25 years evolved from a perception; to an idea; to a concept; and eventually to the reality of our existence. The thought, motivation, and force behind the creation of an independent American association to be composed of police polygraphists belongs to **William (Bill) Taylor**. That is the simple truth. In 1975, Bill was then the commander of the Texas Department of Public Safety polygraph unit and while preparing for the annual Texas DPS polygraphists seminar Bill and then **Lt. Johnny Maxwell**, also of Texas DPS, met with me, then Director of State of Texas, Central Texas Regional Police Academies, to explore Bill's idea concerning the feasibility of obtaining training grants from the former Law Enforcement Assistance Administration, to be used in training seminars for all Texas police polygraphists if combined into one single entity.

In 1976, after Bill's return from a national polygraph convention it became obvious to him that the need existed not for a local, but for a national association of police polygraphists; that many advantages could be gained besides grants and funding, such as standards applicable to police, and the like. Bill enlisted the assistance of **Steve Klempa**, then polygraphists for the Temple Texas Police Department and **Donnie Patton**, then polygraphists for the Killeen, Texas Police Department. At a meeting that year we five formally agreed to dedicate ourselves towards making Bill's concept into reality. We agreed to name the entity "American Association of Police Polygraphists." Bill suggested that as the association we grant honorary founder membership to **Richard O. Arther**, with whom Bill had consulted about forming the Organization and about being a speaker at the Texas DPS seminar in Austin, Texas. It was so granted. I wrote our initial constitution "borrowing" heavily (and with permission) from the Canadian Police Polygraph Examiners Association, then the only polygraph association in the world exclusively for police officers.

In the summer of 1976 Arther and other national speakers presented a seminar at the Texas DPS Headquarters as planned. There were 67 polygraphists in attendance that voted to adopt the constitution and named an interim governing body consisting of Bill Taylor, John Maxwell and yours truly, as president; Secretary/Treasurer; and Board search, respectively. We all agreed to meet again in 1977, establishing ourselves officially and vote on a proper leadership slate.

In the period between 1976 and 1977 the fledgling association was promoted through The Journal of Polygraph Science; Texas Peace Officers Publications; our own ten page "newsletter" and by word of mouth. We also created our logo (designed by Drafting and Design students of CentralTexasCollege) and decided on our motto during this period.

In 1977 at a second seminar again in Austin over 100 police polygraphists had joined our association, including (God Bless Them) 2 Canadians and paid the \$25.00 dues, that also covered seminar fees. We resolved at that official formative convention to become an *adjunct* and not an *adversary* to any other polygraph association, to promote the needs of the police polygraphist; included in our constitutional tenets specific provisions not to regard growth as an unmitigated blessing, but to concentrate our efforts towards those police officers who even though performing admirably could not for one reason or another participate fully in

other associations. To abstain from dictating to others what training requirements should be beyond those mandated by their specific state boards or regulating agencies; or to insist what other organizations membership requirements should be; that such would be pompous, presumptuous, pedantic and in bad taste. Similarly, we acknowledged in our law that we would remain sovereign and independent, and act and function as such. Our first officials were:**Bill Taylor**, President, **Johnny Maxwell**, Secretary/ Treasurer, then **Donnie R. Patton** Recorder/Historian and **Steven J. Klempa**, Sergeant-at-Arms, **Tony Barrio**, Board Chair, **Den Lubbon**; **Mike Switalski**; **Dick Arther** and **Dee Wheeler**, Board Members.

We became a fraternity of comrades among whom there was no contention but that noble desire of who could best serve.

All served to the best of their abilities and for many years to come noone was paid; nor even compensated for their expenses associated with the managing of the association. As police officers we were already experts at scrounging, innovation, and making the most out of the least. When anything was needed all one had to do was to call upon any other member of the fraternity knowing before hand that the request would be honored. We all shared and we all contributed. There were no egos to nurture or petty matters to get involved in. It did not matter to anyone who got the credit for doing things, as long as the tasks were done. What we lacked in funds was more than made up in pride, enthusiasm, and the knowledge that we were honored in being selected by our peers to provide a service that benefited ourselves as well as our other fellow members of the noblest profession in the world. As we grew in size and in scope, as an association, not as individuals, we made adjustments to meet the challenges and accepted that reimbursement for legitimate expenses and just compensation for extraordinary services that take an inordinate amount of elected or appointed official's time, devoted solely for the benefit of the association, and was more than appropriate. As an entity we cooperated with many police associations in matters of common concern and while we not always agreed, we were and are still able to do so without being disagreeable; knowing, understanding, and accepting the fact that we are all in this profession together.

Unfortunately, I discarded what I had or took it to pass out at early seminars, but sooner or later we will have it all and if nothing else we may be able to retrieve the ones I sent to the Library of Congress. Two other interesting items before we all die, the first four or five years all the Journals were printed at **CentralTexasCollege** for free. The original AAPP logo was made by Drafting and Design students also attending my classes and our present Logo is similar to the Logo we used to use in the diplomas we had in that college. I used the die and changed it to fit our needs as a Department Chair I had the authority to do so, it is Kosher and CTC now has a different logo anyhow.

The original five who later decided to ask **Lubbon**, **Switalski** and **Dee Wheeler** to join us were **Bill Taylor** AAPP #1, **John Maxwell** AAPP#2, **Tony Barrio**, AAPP#3, **Donnie Patton** AAPP#4 and **Steve Klempa** AAPP#5. We decided that I would Chair/form a Board, Bill be President, Johnny Secretary, Patton Historian and Klempa Sgt. at Arms. That was it. That was the entire package. We voted honorary membership for **Dick Arther** and at our first meeting (before the first seminar) Arther, Lubbon, Switalski and Wheeler joined me in the Board. We all agreed to serve one year and not seek reelection, but request that at our first "Official" seminar the members voted for a new Board and keep the Officers if they wanted to serve again.

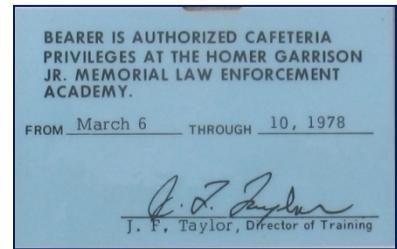
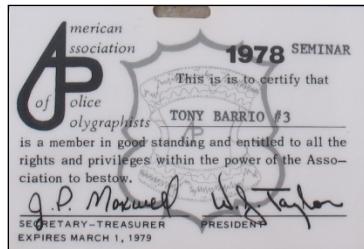
Something else I just thought of... our seminars were so good and thorough at the Texas Department of Public Safety that I was able to get the Southern Association of Texas Colleges and Universities (The largest upper division accrediting body in the US) to allow them for college credit. I am sure one of the Journals announces that and the fact that not only CTC but later the AmericanTechnologicalUniversity used to grant 3 semester hours of credit for our seminars.



From left to right:
William J. "Bill" Taylor, Tony Barrio and Johnny Maxwell addressing the attendees at the 2009 South Lake Tahoe Nevada Seminar on May 7, 2009 during the Meet & Greet the AAPP's Founding Fathers presentation.

December 1977 Journal, Volume I, No. 2

William J. Taylor, President
 John P. Maxwell, Secretary/Treasurer
 Tony Barrio, Editor
 Richard O. Arthur, Director
 Ben Lubbon, Director
 Tony Barrio, Director/Editor
 Michael Switalski, Director
 Dee E. Wheeler, Director



President William J. Taylor encourages members to attend the "first AAPP Seminar in Austin, Texas, March 6-10, 1978."

"We are planning a Texas style Bar B-Q for the evening of March 8, 1979, for those attending the seminar. One of our local "beverage" distributors has agreed to donate all that can be consumed, and some of our local commercial polygraph firms have agreed to help defray the costs of the food. Further, it appears that we will be giving away several rifles of the 30-30 and 22 caliber varieties."

"Since this affair is "Texas Style" it follows that it is also informal. Bring your jeans, boots and hats. Chewing tobacco and snuff will be permitted."



April 1978 - Volume 2 - Number 1

William J. Taylor, President
 Sue Johns, Secretary/Treasurer
 Raymond Inglis, Chairman
 Tony Barrio, Director/Editor
 Henry L. Carty, Director
 Allen L. Crane, Director
 Tom Puckett, Director
 Donald H. Wilson, Director

Ray Inglis (center) with Donald J. Imbordino (far left), Gordon W. Moore, Toby McSwain and Jim Gallagher at the 2009 Seminar in South Lake Tahoe on May 5, 2009.

Highlights of 1st AAPP Seminar, TX DPS, March 6-10, 1978.

146 Police Polygraphists in attendance

Open only to full time employees of police agencies

Next year the seminar will be open to all rich enough to afford it

Open to each and every active member

Funded by a LEAA Grant – meals “donated” by Texas Police Association.

Accommodations provided by Texas DPS

Participants only charged for incurred cost of materials

Pg 8 – motion made to increase dues to \$15.00 prompted by price increases in the production and mailing of membership certificates.

Pg 9 – Items Settled by the original Board of Directors

President must be a full time employee of a public agency engaged in criminal or intelligence investigations, not have significant, (i.e. ownership of a polygraph school; business, etc) private polygraph interest; and have been a “police polygraphist” for at least five years.

Pg 9 – Mail in ballots request. Floor nominations would make that procedure infeasible. It was recognized that not all were able to attend this seminar, but that those present formed a composite of our membership.

Next seminar in Omaha, NE, in April 1979.

William “Bill” Taylor, President

Sue Johns, Secretary/Treasurer

Raymond D. Inglis, Chairman

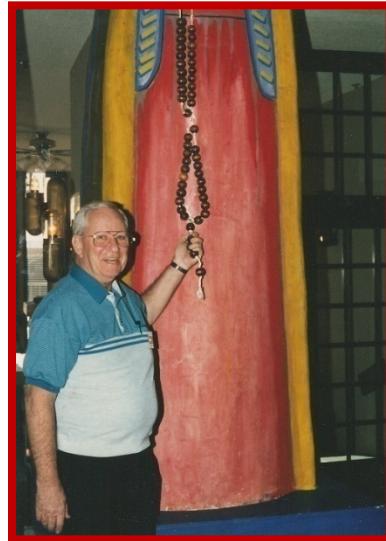
Tony Barrio, Director/Editor

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Henry Carty

**1997 Albuquerque NM
Seminar**

July 1978 Journal - Volume 2- Number 2

William J. Taylor, President

Sue Johns, Secretary/Treasurer

Raymond D. Inglis, Chairman

Tony Barrio, Director/Editor

Henry L. Carty, Director

Alan L. Crane, Director

Tom Puckett, Director

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Pg 21 – Editorial

Tony Barrio met last month in England with several high ranking members of the British Police Forces at the invitation of Chief Constable Barry Pain, Kent Constabulary, Maidstone, England. Visited several police stations and police laboratories. “Guide” was Chief Inspector Derek Pearce of the Newbury Police Department. For years the British have been following polygraph uses in America. They credit AAPP Director Captain Donald Wilson for his contributions to some polygraph experiments he conducted for a scientific body in England in 1974.

Pg 23 – Committee Reports

The Awards Committee, working with the president, has developed some certificates that will be used to reward those from within or without the Association who are worthy of individual and meritorious recognition.
(Description of awards not mentioned in this Journal)

October 1978 Journal

William J. Taylor, President

Sue Johns, Secretary/Treasurer

Raymond D. Inglis, Chairman

Tony Barrio, Director/Editor

Henry L. Carty, Director

Alan L. Crane, Director

Tom Puckett, Director

Donald H. Wilson, Director

The 2nd Annual AAPP Seminar will be held Sunday, April 22-Friday April 27, 1979 at:

Old Mill Holiday Inn

655 North 108th Avenue

Omaha, Nebraska

\$55.00 Pre-paid / \$70.00 at seminar for AAPP members

\$70.00 Pre-paid non-member / \$85.00 at seminar for non-members

President's Message: "I am proud to advise you that your association is still suffering from growing pains. I have been further amazed at the number of non-police polygraphists that have solicited membership with us (approximately 250). Many of these polygraphists have indicated that they want to belong even if it is to the extent of being less than a full member. Several have indicated that they plan to come to our annual seminar in an attempt to have the general membership change the Constitutional membership requirement. I ask each of you to contemplate both the pros and cons of a constitutional change such as this and be prepared to voice your opinion at the April 1979 Seminar. I think that the one question that each of us has to answer is, "Will we be able to maintain our police identity as an Association if we approve a change in membership requirements."

"Dues of \$10.00 are minimal and therefore affordable to each of you." Certificate validation stickers will be forwarded to you individually by the Sec./Tres. upon receipt of your completed renewal form."

Page 9: August 22, 1978 letter from AAPP Board Member Thomas T. Puckett from Lawton, OK, to Editor Tony Barrio involving his elected positions with AAPP & APA:

Dear Tony:

Thank you for your kind words on the APA elections. I was urged to run for the position by many of my friends but I confess that I did so with considerable trepidation. I was persuaded by the belief that in serving with the Boards of Directors of AAPP and APA I could emphasize the commonality of our interests and resist any fragmentation of the polygraph profession.

Based on my observations and conversations with the Officers and Directors of the APA, I am convinced of their good will and support for the aims and special interests of the AAPP. I am equally convinced that our goals are parallel. This symbiotic relationship can be both stimulating and productive to the profession as a whole. The challenge lies in directing our efforts toward constructive ends and avoiding divisive positions which are counterproductive to our mutual interests.

It is my fervorant hope and desire that I can serve both organizations with the competency and dignity that our profession deserves.

To this end I solicit and welcome your advice and counsel.

Regards,
Tom

Page 10: The Backster School of Lie Detection announces the move from NY to California. "In addition to the high quality training available, we sincerely feel that no city in the entire country can compare with the beauty and climate offered by San Diego. This is an added pleasure to those already confronting a *seven week absence from home."

*All APA approved schools are of a minimum duration of seven weeks.

Membership Application - \$15.00

Annual renewal fee: \$10.00

February 1979 Journal – Volume 3

William J. Taylor, President

Sue Johns, Secretary/Treasurer

Raymond D. Inglis, Chairman

Tony Barrio, Director/Editor

Second Annual Seminar, Old Mill Holiday Inn, 655 North 108th Ave, Omaha, NE68154

\$22.00 per night single / \$29.00 per night double

Sunday, April 22 – Friday, April 27, 1979

\$55.00 Members / \$70.00 Non-members (early registration)

\$70.00 Members / \$85.00 Non-members (early registration)

"Breaks will be 10:00-10:30 and 3:00-3:15 each day"

"Lunch will be 11:30-1:00 each day"

"Hospitality rooms and hours will be announced."

Pg 23 - Membership Renewal Application - \$10.00 fee

July 1979 Journal – Volume 3

Raymond D. Inglis, President

Sue Johns, Secretary/Treasurer

Tom Puckett, Chairman

Tony Barrio, Director/Editor

Editor Tony Barrio's Foreword: "Obviously, the main function of a magazine like ours is to keep the membership informed by acting as a news distribution medium. The function is visualized by consideration of the fact that of more than 700 members in the Association, only 167 were able to attend our recently concluded annual meeting. It is therefore the main purpose of this issue to convey to those members unable to attend the information concerning the events that took place at Omaha. If the entire seminar had to be described in one single word, that word would be "Outstanding". The session began with no less than a martial music serenade by the Strategic Air Command Band. That was followed by the posting of the colors effected by a 12-men honor guard from the Sarpy County Sheriff's Department. Then the group heard opening remarks from an impressive list of dignitaries, to include the Lieutenant Governor; the Nebraska Attorney General; the State Public Safety Director; the Mayor of Omaha, and other equally important officials."

"The speakers represented the best selection of polygraph notable ever assembled for an instructional purpose. They included: Dick Arther, Cleve Backster, Tony Barrio, Joe Buckley, Ron Decker, Richard Garver, Len Harrelson, Warren Holmes, Lynn Marcy, Paul Minor, and in a rare appearance in recent times, Mr. John Reid himself."

President Raymond D. Inglin's Message: "In 1977, a small group of founding members organized this Association in Austin, Texas. It is appropriate to review the objectives of the AAPP.

1. To encourage and develop cooperation of all law enforcement organizations in the application of accepted polygraph technique.
2. To develop the highest standards of proficiency in the polygraph field through fostering scientific training and research.
3. To promote the highest standard of ethics and conduct in the polygraph profession.
4. To provide an opportunity for an exchange of information regarding polygraph.
5. To cooperate with the American Polygraph Association and other professional organizations.
6. To encourage the passage of polygraph licensing."

"From an inauspicious beginning, the AAPP has developed into a formidable organization of nearly 800 members....."

EDITORIAL by Editor Tony Barrio: "It has been said with remarkable wisdom that nothing lasts forever, and what's more, that nothing should.

Among the ideas that guided the founders of this organization that belief was paramount. The realization that change is inevitable, and that the only constant is change itself.

However, also accepted as a founding principle, was that as we discard old methods and ideas, we must and should retain those things of the past that set our precedents for democratic principles, rule of law, and objections.

As a group, we have kept to such an original philosophy. Each and every one of our presidents, original directors, and executive officers have left office, and now, the last remaining official must also go. That person is this editor.

The dynamic growth of this magazine parallels that of the association. In barely 3 years this magazine has grown from a one page Xeroxed "newsletter" to a professional medium reflective of our accomplishments. Now the foundation has been laid, and upon it the edifice must be erected, and not by any one person, but as a team effort representative of our national composition.

An elite group of regional correspondents has been appointed to assist in continuing publication of this magazine. From our vast resources, jointly, with democratic rather than doctorial powers, a better magazine will emerge which will continue to expose all views, pro and con, rather than have the potential of becoming narrow-thinking and dogmatic if ever dominated by anyone man with dictatorial dreams of grandeur. That should never occur, as long as the real power of this association remain in the hands of the members themselves.

The part I played in the creation and guidance of this magazine will always be a source of great personal satisfaction. It was by no means a singular effort.

Since this is, by choice, the last time that I'll address you as editor, I would like to publicly thank the many persons who helped and guided me during the past 3 years; among them Bill Taylor, our past president, and the original officers and directors. Also such as Norm Ansley, editor the APA publications; Mike Holden, Editor of TAPE newsletter; Dr. Gordon Barland and Prof. Dick Arther, both of whom contributed myriad of articles and pertinent information, also Donnie Patton and Burt Allen, who assisted in the tedious portion of "stamping, stapling, and mailing" and to Johnnie Maxwell, who more than once drove the 150 miles plus trip between Austin and Copperas Cove to deliver some article or time needed for publication.

My association with such dedicated persons more than paid in satisfaction whatever small efforts I spent.

Thank you for the past 3 years, and I hope that I'll be allowed to visit with you from time to time via this medium."

Signed: Antonio (Tony) Suarez-Barrio.

Spring 1980 Journal

Raymond D. Inglis, President
Sue Johns, Secretary/Treasurer
Los Angeles Seminar Committee, Editors

President's Message

1. Concerns over SB1822, HR6579 & HR6591 "which limit even some government agencies".
2. Problems which resulted from the 1979 Seminar in Nebraska mentioned in last Newsletter (not in file).
"See copy of Memorandum of Agreement with between AAPP and CAPE to prevent the problem that developed at Omaha."

June 22-27, 1980 at the New Otani Hotel, Los Angeles, CA.,
Pre-paid \$65.00 AAPP/CAPE members / At Seminar - \$90.00
Pre-paid \$80.00 non-member / At seminar \$90.00

First mention of Awards Committee and two Chaplains

Secretary Sue Johns reports 767 members. 66 members did not renew for 1979-80 and two members are now deceased.

September 1981 Journal

Peter L. De Stefano, President
Henry L. Carty, Secretary
Kenneth W. Shiflet, Treasurer
Tony Barrio, Director/Editor

President's Message

1. Thanks the Colorado Association for hosting the 1981 Seminar in Denver. 105 examiners representing 29 states and Canada were in attendance.
2. **Awards** at the 1981 Seminar were mentioned:
 - a. Stanley Abrams, Ph.D. recipient of the annual honorary membership.
 - b. Receiving the 2nd annual Richard O. Arther award was Ray Inglis.



Henry Carty

February 1982 Journal

Peter L. De Stefano, President
Henry L. Carty, Secretary
Kenneth W. Shiflet, Treasurer
Tony Barrio, Director/Editor

Reminder to mail your \$20.00 dues.

Bank Balance of the General Account as of June 30, 1981 is: \$7,499.91
Bank Balance of the General Account as of September 14, 1981 is: \$10,208.40
Sue Johns, Treasurer

Editorial: "Much ado about nothing has been created by the publication of Dr. David T. Lykken's masterpiece of double-talk, half truths, conjectures, and innuendoes entitled, A Tremor in the Blood..... In his book, Lykken attempts to compare polygraph with the "profession" of medicine and concludes that polygraphy does not come close in any sort of "scientific" way. Well, it is generally agreed that medicine is not an exact science. It is a practice."

May 1982 Journal

Peter L. De Stefano, President
Henry L. Carty, Secretary
Kenneth W. Shiflet, Treasurer
Tony Barrio, Director/Editor

Three page application (pg's 24-26) lists the dues as \$20.00 + \$10.00 fee = \$30.00
Renewal application (pg 27) lists the fee as \$20.00.

September 1982 Journal

Henry L. Carty, President
Holly S. Merrill, Secretary
Kenneth W. Shiflet, Treasurer
Tony Barrio, Director/Editor

Chairman Pete DeStefano's Message: "This issue is dominated by the news and events of our highly successful 1982 seminar and convention in Boston. Both in the financial and educational sense. It also set a record for rain. The Boston Weather Service had to go back 41 years to find a period of comparable precipitation. The lobster/Clambake went off well....."

President Henry L. Carty's Message: "As the newly elected president of your association, it is my responsibility to assess the status of your organization and develop any programs necessary to affect remedial action should it be needed. As I see the situation, three characteristics of necessity share first place in importance: Membership, Publication and Education..... We are very fortunate to have Tony Barrio as our editor.

"Our newly elected president is Henry L. Carty. Henry entered police service as a patrolman in 1952 culminating his career of 22 years of service as Chief Polygraph Examiner for the Texas Department of Public Safety. He is currently the examiner for the Texas Department of Human Resources and a contract examiner for the Oklahoma Department of Human Resources. He owns a private polygraph business in association with his son Danny also a polygraph examiner following in Dad's footsteps.

"Our new Secretary is Holly S. Merrill, a polygraphist with the Alexandria, Virginia, City Police Department. She began her present career in early 1980 by graduating with honors from the Virginia School of Polygraph in Norfolk, Virginia. Holly received her Associates of Science degree in June 1976, and presently enjoys membership in the APA (Associate); Virginia Polygraph Association; and, of course AAPP. She maintains a high profile in civic activities and is a frequent lecturer at various clubs and schools in addition to the Criminal Investigation Division of her own department."

"Our re-elected Treasurer for the 1982 through 1984 is Kenneth W. Shiflet, Polygraphist for the Colorado State Patrol. Ken began his career with the Colorado State Patrol in June 1959. After receiving his degree in Police Science from El Paso Community College in May 1973, he attended Gormac Polygraph School, graduating in October 1973. He is an active member of CAPE and is a Charter Member of AAPP. Ken has done a yeoman's job in getting the Treasurer's affairs to a professional level in this association and we are just proud and fortunate in having him for another term."



February 1983 Journal

Henry L. Canty, President

Holly S. Merrill, Secretary

Kenneth W. Shiflet, Treasurer

Tony Barrio, Director/Editor

Holly S. Merrill before she married Henry Canty (*the smiling guy on her left*) and became Holly S. Canty.

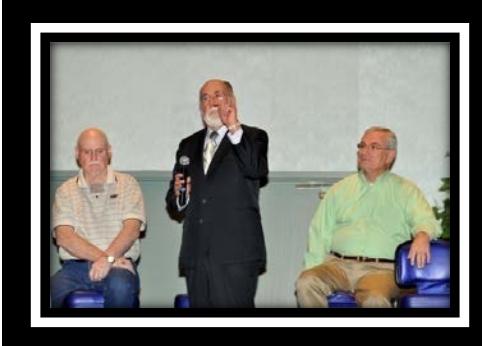
Preface: "We sincerely hope you can attend the El Paso seminar in April."

AAPP was founded in July 1977 by:

William B. Taylor

Dr. Tony S. Barrio

Johnnie R. Maxwell



Past Presidents:

William J. Taylor

Raymond D. Inglis

James Robles

Peter L. DeStephano

**William B. Taylor, AAPP member #1,
Antonio S. Barrio, AAPP member #3
Johnnie R. Maxwell, AAPP member #83
2009 Seminar – South Lake Tahoe,**

August 1983 Journal

Kenneth W. Shiflet, President

Holly S. Merrill, Secretary/Treasurer

Tony Barrio, Director/Editor

"The April Seminar in El Paso was a complete success; 86 members attended the two day event, as well as 36 other members of the National Academy of Lady Polygraphists which co-sponsored the event..... On the social aspects of the convention, no one can deny that this was the most fun-filled gathering we have ever had. The fun included a pool-side party serenaded by two typical Mexican bands I Ciudad Juarez, Mexico, and a patio cookout at the Joe Gonzalez residence. There were some moments of tension at the crossing into the Mexican border when someone remembered that the trunk of one of the cars contained some shotguns; pistols; and other police armory items, and one fellow I know only too well was carrying his police .38 not thinking that Juarez is actually Mexico, and as such a foreign country..... As the saying goes, all's well that ends well."

March 1984 Journal

The October 8, 1983 Minutes of the Board Meeting identify the following:

Ken Shiftlet, President
Holly Merrill, Secretary / Treasurer
Joe Gonzalez, Chairman of the Board
Henry Cantly, Past President
Tony Barrio, Director/Editor

Membership Renewal Fee: \$20.00

“Where else can any polygraphist attend a three day professional seminar for \$95.00, inclusive of hospitality rooms and use and other amenities?”

On The National Training Center of Polygraph Science letterhead: “The 24th Annual New York Professional Polygraph Seminar will start at 8:57 a.m. on Monday, May 14 and end at 3:03 p.m. on Wednesday, May 16.” “Since all notebooks and paper will be supplied, all you need to bring with you is your personal pen.”

September 1984 Journal

Cooney Sarracino, President
Holly S. Merrill, Secretary/Treasurer
Harry C. Condon, Chairman of the Board
Tony Barrio, Director/Editor

President's Message: “The dominant feature this issue concentrates on the events that took place during our annual seminar in May, at the New York City, which was a success by any means of measuring. The combined seminar produced by the Academy of Certified Polygraphist, the American Association of Police Polygraphists and the National Academy of Lady Polygraphists was the most thorough, effective, and most economical of all national association seminars....”

“Mr. Cleve Backster has been appointed as the Chairman of the Research Committee for the AAPP.” “The 1985 seminar will be held April 24-27, 1985, at the Sheraton Downtown Hotel in Albuquerque, NM.” “Many AAPP members were in attendance at the APA meeting in Nashville, 30 July – 3 August. It was a real informative program with many productive sessions. Those who produced the program did a real bang-up job and our hats are off to them.” “I am designating this year as the year of 1000. Our goal is to increase our membership to 1000 and hopefully surpass that number.”

A copy of a letter addressed to Henry L. Cantly from US Representative Jack Brooks, Chairman of Committee on Government Operations reads:

Dear Mr. Cantly:

Your letter of February 16, 1984 expresses concerns about my bill, “The Federal Polygraph Limitation and Anti-Censorship Act of 1984,” on the basis of extraneous factors. I think the bill must be judged on its merits, not possible amendments to it or how it may be used by others to promote their own separate purposes.

As you are aware, my bill does not prohibit the use of polygraph tests; it restricts them in the non-intelligence agencies of the Federal Government to carefully developed and controlled investigations under truly voluntary conditions. To suggest that any legislation restricting polygraph usage in any way is wrong because it may reflect adversely on all polygraph testing is unfair.

I was pleased to see you were present to testify at the hearing on my bill before the Civil Service Subcommittee and I, of course, welcome any additional views you have on the merits of my bill itself.

With very good wish, I am

Sincerely, Jack Brooks, Chairman”

March 1985 Journal

Cooney Sarracino, President
Holly S. Carty, Secretary/Treasurer
Tony Barrio, Director/Editor

American Association of Police Polygraphists
National Academy of Lady Polygraphists
New Mexico Law Enforcement Academy
Annual Seminar - Old Town Sheraton Hotel
800 Rio Grande Blvd. NW, Albuquerque, NM
April 24-27, 1985
AAPP and NALP members - \$100.00
Licensed New Mexico Examiners - \$50.00
All other registering - \$145.00
Additional Banquet Tickets - \$10.00

Message from Holly:

1. "Your association has recently purchased a much needed COMPAQ portable computer and we are in the process of getting all of the information from the existing source into the new system. The COMPAQ is fully compatible with the IBM, which is the present source."
2. "I have been informed that the insurance we had available through Lloyd's of London is no longer available to AAPP members."
3. Association worth as of December 31, 1984: \$16,145.79

An October 25, 1984, letter to AAPP Secretary Holly S. Merrill from Ed Clarke, President of the Hawaii Polygraph Association. The Hawaii Polygraph Association is in its infancy stages. "About 20 members are expected to fill in applications for membership." "The Installation Banquet is scheduled for December 12, 1984."

November 1985 Journal

Cooney Sarracino, President
David W. Scherer, VP (*1st VP of the AAPP*)
Holly S. Carty, Secretary/Treasurer
Henry L. Carty, Editor

Association Net Worth as of September 30, 1985 - \$19,307.60

Minutes of New Board of Directors, April 27, 1985
Increased salary of Secretary/Treasurer to \$50.00 a week.
Motion passed to create office of Vice-President

Next Seminar: Virginia Beach, VA, May 12-15, 1986.

Board of Directors Meeting, Pompano Beach, FL October 25, 1985.
Called to order at 9:50 am

1. Two applications for membership approved
2. Revision of present application form
3. Obtain mailing list for future seminars
4. Agreed to attempt to stay as closed to \$100 per attendee for upcoming May Virginia Beach Seminar – budget allowing.

5. Application process discussion and suggestions for improvement
6. Reciprocity discussion between states on criminal cases.
7. Send Secretary/ Treasurer to school for computer training at cost of \$150.00
8. All present given opportunity to give reports
9. Motion to adjourn at 5:37 P.M.

April 1986 Journal

Cooney Sarracino, President

Dave Scherer ,VP

Holly S. Carty, Secretary/Treasurer

Henry L. Carty, Editor

Editor's Notes: H. R. 1524 passed. Henry encourages the members to contact their House of Representatives.

President Cooney Sarracino has been on the sick list for a while with nerve damage. He asked VP Dave

Scherer to run the AAPP. Dave has done a outstanding job. Dave says "that's what they elected me for."

Editor's comment: "I only wish that some of the other elected officers felt the same way ... something about being elected that strangely affects some ... elect them and you never see them again. Oh well, so much for my gripes."

Seminar to be held at:

PavilionTowerResort & ConferenceCenter
1900 Pavilion Drive, Virginia Beach, VA23451
\$60.00 for one or two guest per room

September 1986 Journal

David W. Scherer, President

Dr. Jack Annon, VP

Michael Orian, Secretary

Stanley Colburn, Treasurer

Henry L. Carty, Editor

Membership Application - \$30.00 + \$15.00 = \$45.00

Awards:

Henry L. Carty recipient of the Richard O. Arther Award for Professional Excellence

April 1987 Journal

David W. Scherer, President

Earl James, Vice President

Holly S. Carty, Secretary-Treasurer

Henry L. Carty, Editor

President's message congratulates past President **Cooney Sarracino**. "What a story! Cooney was recently elected Sheriff of Dona Ana County Sheriff's Department. In mid October the party candidate for County Sheriff suddenly passed away, Cooney, a Lieutenant on the Las Cruces Police Department was asked to run in his place. It was only two weeks until the election and Cooney started a new experience – campaigning! Well, to make a long story short, the election was held on November 4th, 1986, and Cooney won. He is the first candidate of that party to become Sheriff since Sheriff Pat Garrett (who, by the way, killed Billy the Kid). If you get a moment, why not drop Cooney a line to let him know how proud we are of him!!!! Congratulations Cooney!!!!"

1987 Seminar

Sheraton Inn, Colorado Springs, CO June 23-25, 1987.

\$55.00 single, double 1 bed, double 2 beds.

Seminar fee:

\$120.00 for members (pre-registration before June 1st, 1987)

\$135.00 for non-members

\$145.00 for all attendees at the door.

“A specially designed Video Review Room will be available at the work shop site. Video facilities (VHS) will be available during the entire time of the seminar for those attendees wishing to obtain the necessary hours required to fulfill various continuing education requirements.”

October 1987 Journal

David W. Scherer, President

Art Hadel, Vice President

Holly S. Canty, Secretary-Treasurer

Henry L. Canty, Editor

1987 Seminar in Colorado Springs was attended by 110 examiners.

1988 Seminar to be held in Ft. Lauderdale, Florida.

Treasurer Holly Canty report: Dues notices will go out in the fall. Same dues amount as last year – forty dollars. “Our treasury is sound.”

Page 25: Letter from Lynn P. Marcy, Dearborn, Michigan, dated September 3, 1987.

Addressed to David W. Scherer, President of AAPP

Dear President Scherer:

It is with a great deal of humility and pride that I thank you, the members of your Board, and the members of your Association for the high honor you have bestowed on me.

Be assured that I deeply appreciate my honorary membership in the American Association of Police Polygraphists and will make every effort to uphold the professional standards to which you are dedicated.

As you may be aware, I have been requested, and have agreed to accept appointment once again as the Executive Director of the APA. It will be my personal mission to ensure that an effective and sincere channel of communications exists at all times between the Directors of the AAPP and APA, so long as it is within my power to do so.

During these coming months when our professional feet “are put to the fire” in the U.S. Congress, please contact me personally, or through your representative, at anytime when I can answer questions, supply information, or assist you in any way.

Sincerely,
Lynn Marcey
Marcy Consulting Services, Inc.

Polygraph Police Model for Law Enforcement

By: Ronald M. Ferguson, Special Agent/Assistant Section Chief

Document Section, Laboratory Section

Federal Bureau of Investigations, Washington DC.

Letter from AAPP President David W. Scherer dated May 12, 1987, addressed to Jerald R. Vaughn, Executive Director, International Association of Chiefs of Police, in Gaithersburg, MD. expressing concern "regarding two rumors" involving Senators Kennedy or Metzenbaum planning to attach a rider to the bill prohibiting all pre-employment testing including law enforcement and government agencies.

Reply to above letter from Cheryl Anthony Epps, Legislative Analyst, International Association of Chiefs of Police, dated June 29, 1987, indicating that "Jay Harvey, Senator Kennedy's aide, is handling the issue. I informed him of our concern that the law enforcement exemption not be abolished. He informed me that Senator Kennedy has no intentions of having this exemption abolished. Furthermore, Mr. Harvey states that it is their perception that law enforcement handles the question of polygraph tests in a very responsible way and they see no need for corrective legislation. In my judgment, we do not have a problem now."

August 29, 1987, from AAPP Legislative Consultant Henry Carty to Cheryl Anthony Epps. Henry offers his sincere appreciation to the International Chiefs of Police. Henry offers several thoughts concerning this matter and why I think that HR 1212 is not the solution to claimed problem any more than legalizing all narcotic drug usage would solve the drug problem that besets this nation." "The position of "Pro-Police" that Senator Kennedy claims is commendable. The claim that polygraph problems are isolated to the private sector is a debatable issue – however, one we will not address at this time. The primary objectors to polygraph – in any form – are Organized Labor and the American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU) – and they make no bones about their position....."

Letter from APA President William J. Scheve, Jr. dated May 18, 1987, to Henry Carty.

Dear Hank

I read your editorial, "Time to Think Out Our Position", in the most recent edition of the AAPP Journal and let it pass without appropriate comment.

First, you are quite right when you stated "There is no fight between the APA and AAPP." There may be some "personal differences" between respective members and between you and the present APA administration, but I would hope there are none between me and anyone in AAPP.

The main purpose of this letter, however, is to compliment you on an outstanding editorial. You succeeded in putting into words my feelings ever since I agreed to running for this office. And, you did so with precision, insight, clarity and the proper degree of emotion. It is almost as though you were reading my mind. You obviously did your homework before doing your writing – and you did exceedingly well. Should HR 1212 prevail in the Congress it will only be a relatively short matter of time before truth telling will be outlawed in all sectors of our society. HR 1212 as it is presently written is a congressionally mandated license to lie, cheat and steal.

For your information, I received the AAPP Journal just before the APA Board Meeting in Miami. Although I did not have the time to favorable respond then, I did make appropriate comments to the Board about your editorial support. Again, my compliments and my thanks.

Warmest regards, William J. Scheve, Jr. President (APA)

April 1988 Journal

David W. Scherer, President
Arthur A. Hadel, VP
Henry L. Carty, Editor

President's Message addresses the "assault on the private polygraph" referring to HR-1212 & SB-1904. 1988 Seminar held at the Sheraton Yankee Trader Hotel, 321 North Atlantic Blvd., Fort Lauderdale, Fl., Monday-Thursday, June 20-23, 1988. Friday June 24th (video room optional if you need 40 hours credit.)

October 1988 Journal

Arthur A. Hadel, President

Holly S. Canty, VP

Henry L. Canty, Secretary/ Treasurer

Edmund F. Pierce, Editor

By-laws change: Motion by President Arthur Hadel, Article IV, Section 2, Subdivision B – “The Immediate Past President *cannot* serve as Chairman” to read “The Immediate Past President *shall* serve as Chairman.”

1989 Seminar to be held at Gold Coast Casino in Las Vegas, June 26-29, 1989. Room rates are \$32.00 Sunday through Thursday, \$40.00 Friday and Saturday.

Vice President Holly Canty informs members that their 1989 Seminar fee is waived if they recruit four new members, ½ price if they recruit two new members.

Board Meeting, June 19, 1988, Ft. Lauderdale, Fl.

HR 1212 discussed – APA President Shirley Sturm thanking AAPP for their assistance in the battle against 1212.

Selection of Catherine Arther as annual Honorary Member for 1988 was approved.

1988 Annual Meeting, June 21, 1988

Secretary/Treasurer Report listed 636 members

“Situation with HB 1212 looks bleak.”

Membership voted to accept Kansas City, MO for the 1990 Seminar site

January 1989 Newsletter

1989 Seminar to be held at the Gold Coast Hotel & Casino, 4000 W. Flamingo Road, Las Vegas, NV, 89103, Sunday, June 23 – Thursday, June 28. Videos are available for viewing if anyone needs 40 hours to qualify for licensing.

119 members attended the seminar

April 1989 Journal

Arthur A. Hadel, President

Holly S. Canty, VP

Henry L. Canty, Secretary/ Treasurer

Edmund F. Pierce, Editor

Dr Frank Horvath of Michigan State University School of Criminal Justice is conducting a survey of law enforcement agencies on whether or not they administer pre-employment polygraph examinations to police applicants. Dr Horvath asked AAPP to assist.

August 1989 Newsletter

Holly S. Canty, President

Jesse Sprayberry, VP

News Items: Tom Ezell, Region I Director has decided to close his Arizona School of Polygraph Science.

October 1989 Journal

Arthur Hadel, Chairman of the Board
(*1st Chairman of the Board*)
Holly S. Canty, President
Jesse Sprayberry, VP
Henry L. Canty, Treasurer/Secretary
Edmund F. Pierce, Editor



From left to right:

**Peter J. Brannon, Art Hadel, Holly S. Canty, Henry Canty,
Dave Scherer and Jesse Sprayberry.**

1990 Seminar to be held in Kansas City, MO., June 17-21, 1990.

June 28, 1989, Annual Membership Meeting

By-laws change: Motion by President Arthur Hadel, Article IV, Section 2, Subdivision B – “The Immediate Past President *cannot* serve as Chairman” to read “The Immediate Past President *shall* serve as Chairman.” Adopted by Acclamation.

March 1990 Journal

Arthur Hadel, Chairman of the Board
Holly S. Canty, President
Jesse Sprayberry, VP
Henry L. Canty, Treasurer/Secretary
Edmund F. Pierce, Editor

Holly Canty’s President’s Message introduced AAPP’s first Quality Control Review program made available to AAPP members. Attorney Dave Nagel was supportive of the idea. Holly also discusses the problems with several Texas printers involving the Directory. “The Directory is now in the hands of a New York tried and true printer.

Awards: Arthur Hadel recipient of the Richard O. Arther Award

Membership Application on pages 75-76. A new form. Applicants instructed to submit 3 copies. There is no application fee mentioned on either page.

October 1990 Journal

Holly S. Canty, Chair of the Board
Jesse Sprayberry, President
Thomas Ezell, VP
Henry L. Canty, Secretary/Treasurer
Edmund F. Pierce, Editor

The Los Angeles Police Department Polygraph Section in concert with AAPP have installed a FAX machine at LAPD to render assistance to those examiners needing QC Review of their charts. (Region I Director Robert E. Lee, LAPD)

Awards: Richard O. Arther the 1st recipient of the AAPP Max WastlSr Award in 1990

Board of Directors Meeting, June 16, 1990, 2:00 P.M. (Page 26)

Item #5 reads: "The financial position of the AAPP was discussed and it was the determination the board that a raise in the annual dues would be necessary to meet the increased cost of operation, increases in publication costs, anticipated increases in mailing expenses, and the increased expenses of participation in outside presentations supporting the purpose of the AAPP.

The Board agreed that this proposal should be brought before the general membership in accordance with the provisions of the AAPP Constitution."

Annual General Membership Meeting, June 20, 1990, 9:00 A.M.

(*No written record of dues increase in the printed Minutes of this meeting on page 27*)

#5: "A report was presented by the co-sponsors of the 1991 AAPP/NTC Seminar scheduled for June 24-27, 1991, at Caesars in Atlantic City, NJ. Room rate quoted at \$100.00 per night. A dialog between all concerned with this production of this seminar was pledged.

#12: It was the decision of the membership that the 1992 Annual Seminar site would be Colorado Springs, Co.

The 1991 AAPP/NTC Seminar scheduled for June 24-27, 1991, fee is \$125.00 Monday-Wednesday noon and \$150.00 for Monday-Thursday noon.

Membership Application on pages 59-60. Applicants instructed to submit 3 copies. There is no application fee mentioned on either page.

April 1991 Journal

Holly S.Canty, Chair of the Board

Jesse Sprayberry, President

Thomas Ezell, VP

Henry Canty, Secretary/Treasurer

Edmund F. Pierce, Editor

President Jesse Sprayberry asks members to "Remember our Military in our prayers."

VP Tom Ezell reports the membership to be 456 members.

Membership Application on pages 55-56. Applicants instructed to submit 3 copies. \$60.00 + \$15.00 = \$75.00 fee.

June/July 1991 Newsletter

Edmund Price resigns as Editor – Antonio Barrio appointed

Awards:

Lee Chambers recipient of the Max Wastl Sr. Award

Jesse Sprayberry recipient of the Richard O. Arthur Award

Holly Canty recipient of the President's Award

1992 AAPP Seminar site selected: Holiday Inn Motel at Fort Walton, Fl.

\$54.00 per night

October 1991 Journal

Holly S. Canty, Chair of the Board
Jesse Sprayberry, President
VP (not listed in Journal – no VP report)
Henry L. Canty, Secretary/Treasurer
Dr. Tony Barrio, Editor

President Jesse Sprayberry reports that the QC program reviewed 30 cases in it's first full year with a 99.9% rate of agreement.

Chair Holly Canty reports that she is still going through chemotherapy "but the prognosis is good and hopefully by the new year, it will be behind me."

Board of Directors Meeting, June 23, 1991, Caesars, Atlantic City, NJ

Region Director I Robert E. Lee, Region Director II Nelson Scharger and Editor Edmund Pierce not present.

Seminar Report involving the 1991 AAPP/NTC Seminar, June 24-27, 1991, indicated 108 attended.

Due to the success of the QC Program, AAPP will purchase a FAX machine

A hosting a social gathering was approved

In the interest of fiscal management, The Journal will be published two times

(2) times annually and that the membership be kept abreast of the activities on the profession by the publication of newsletters during the interim period.

April 1992 Journal

Holly S.Canty, Chair of the Board
Jesse Sprayberry, President
VP (not listed in Journal – no VP report)
Henry L. Canty, Secretary/Treasurer
Tony Barrio, Editor

Board Chair Holly Canty writes a good article involving "trip down memory lane" on page 3. She recalls combining the offices of Secretary and Treasurer and all that needed to be done "without the assistance of a computer. She recalls all of the "bill parties" in order to individually type the bills stuff them and stamp them."

Treasurer Henry Canty indicates in his report that the dues "are slow in coming."

June 29 – July 2, 1992 Seminar at the Colorado Springs Marriott, 5580 Tech Center Drive, Colorado Springs, Co. 0919-2339.

\$150.00 for members (pre-paid)
\$200.00 for Non-members (pre-paid)
\$54.00 double room rate

November 1992 Journal

Jesse Sprayberry, Chair of the Board
Peter J. Brannon, President
Joseph A. Hughes, VP
Henry L. Canty, Secretary/ Treasurer
Milton "Skip" Webb, Editor

A letter from your president: "I appreciate you putting your faith in me by electing me president. I promise to work to achieve the goals of this fine organization."

"One important goal for the upcoming year is recruitment of new members. Law Enforcement polygraph testing has to be a source of strength for the profession in the immediate future."

"During the seminar we heard from David Nagle regarding the Americans with Disabilities Act. It is important that each of us keep abreast if what is going on in this area because it is an area that could be used against polygraph and to have polygraph testing taken out of the pre-employment area entirely."

From your Vice President Joe Hughes: Joe thanked the Nomination Committee for their support. Joe is full time sworn polygraph examiner with the Fairfax County Police Department in Fairfax, Virginia.

Introducing Linda J. Quinonez - Region 1 Director. Polygraph Examiner with the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department Scientific Services Bureau. She had been a polygraph examiner for two years.

"Computerized Polygraph...Must we change????"

Two page article by Special Agent Milton O. Webb Jr.

Concerns expressed with all the ALT and F keys. In closing (2nd page) he notes: "I should point out that I am all for the computerization of polygraph instruments. The technology is here. Pioneers will revolutionize polygraph as we know it. We must guard against the non-polygraphist computer engineers who have the mission of computerizing the instrument. If we are to move forward towards universally accepted computerization, the polygraphist must be deeply involved in the design....."

Awards:

Jesse Sprayberry is the recipient of the 1992 President's Award.

April 1993 Journal

Jesse Sprayberry, Chair of the Board

Peter J. Brannon, President

Joseph A. Hughes, VP

Henry L. Cantz, Secretary/ Treasurer

Skip Webb, Editor

President Peter Brannon reports that he met with APA President Eric Holden and they discussed a National certification process. The board supported the concept of certification. Several states have expressed an interest in it.

Seminar – June 20-24, 1993 in Fort Walton Beach, Fl.

Membership Application in middle of the Journal – no page numbers listed. Applicants instructed to submit 3 copies. \$60.00 + \$15.00 = \$75.00 fee.

January 1994 Journal

Jesse Sprayberry, Chair of the Board

Peter J. Brannon, President

Joseph A. Hughes, VP

Henry S. Cantz, Secretary/ Treasurer

Editor not identified by name only by "The Editor" in the Editor's Notes on page 2-3.

The Editor's Notes indicate he lost his wife Diane in November. He apologizes for not submitting his Editor Article. He asked for someone to take over the Editor duties from this point forward.

Editor does not identify him/herself as "Editor" in the Journal. He does indicate in his/her article that he disagrees with Mr. Johnson's position on the National Certification Program.

Three page article by James A. Johnson, Jr., Attorney at Law and AAPP member dated November 27, 1993, involving "Four inherent and fatal conceptional flaws" in the proposed Polygraph Examiner National Certification Program."

Membership Application at the end of the Journal – no page numbers listed. Applicants instructed to submit 3 copies. \$60.00 + \$15.00 = \$75.00 fee.

June 1994 Journal

Jesse Sprayberry, Chair of the Board
Peter J. Brannon, President
Joseph A. Hughes, VP
Henry L. Canty, Secretary/Treasurer
Kathy Fuller, Editor

Editor Kathy Fuller thanks President Peter Brannon for entrusting her as Editor.

Membership Application on pages 49-50. Applicants instructed to submit 3 copies. \$60.00 + \$15.00 = \$75.00 fee.

October 1994 Journal

Peter J. Brannon, Chair of the Board
Joseph A. Hughes, President
Billy J. Rakes, VP
Henry L. Canty, Secretary/Treasurer
Kathy Fuller, Editor

Voted the best dressed couple, the soon to be, Mr. & Mrs. Sprayberry.

Editor Kathy Fuller writes: "I understand plans are proceeding smoothly on the Cincinnati seminar next year. More from your board of directors in future Journals."

January 1995 Journal

Peter J. Brannon, Chair of the Board
Joseph A. Hughes, President
Billy J. Rakes, VP
Henry L. Canty, Secretary/Treasurer
Kathy Fuller, Editor

President Joe Hughes writes that preparations are underway for our upcoming seminar in Cincinnati in June of this year and that he is still working on a site for our 1996 AAPP Seminar.



John P. Mata (left), Joseph A. Hughes (center) and Peter J. Brannon 2008 Jacksonville, FL Seminar

April 1995 Journal

Peter J. Brannon, Chair of the Board
Joseph A. Hughes, President
Billy J. Rakes, VP
Henry L. Carty, Secretary/Treasurer
Kathy Fuller, Editor

No President's Message. VP Billy Rakes discussed the Texas Seminar.

1995 Annual Seminar/Workshop Seminar Registration Form (Pg's 16-17)
Holiday Inn – South, 2100 Dixie Hwy (I-75 Exit 188B), Ft. Mitchell, Kentucky, 41011
June 25-29, 1995
Room rates: \$44.00 single / \$55.00 double
Registration: \$150.00 pre-paid / \$175.00 after cut off date / \$210.00 non-members

No Membership Application in Journal.

August 1995 Journal

Joseph A. Hughes, Chair of the Board
Billy J. Rakes, President
Bruce P. Robertson, VP
Henry Carty, Secretary/Treasurer
Kathy Fuller, Editor

VP Bruce Robertson's Report: "The Board of Directors believes that the Association can reach a goal of 600 members by 1997 – AAPP's 20th anniversary."

Minutes of the June 28, 1995 Annual Membership Meeting:

Old Business: The Florida Polygraph Association decided to withdraw from any CVSA related activities. DoDPI was doing research on CVSA but their report had not been released. Bruce Robertson offered negative information of the validity of the CVSA and stated that Ohio has a position paper on CVSA. A limited discussion was held concerning the location of the 1996 annual seminar – the hotel will be the Burbank Hilton in April 1996.

December 1995 Journal

Joseph A. Hughes, Chair of the Board
Billy J. Rakes, President
Bruce P. Robertson, VP
Henry L. Carty, Secretary/Treasurer
Kathy Fuller, Editor

President Billy Rakes Message discusses the Affiliate Program for State/Regional Associations that was approved by the Board of Directors on October 21, 1995.

Purpose: To promote the police polygraph profession through mutual cooperation, assistance and recognition between state/regional polygraph associations and the AAPP.

VP Bruce Robertson's Report also discusses the Affiliate Program for State/Regional Associations and Ohio's efforts concerning CVSA. A copy of a letter sent to law enforcement agencies encouraging those agencies to "be aware" is on page 7.

Treasurer's Report (complete detailed report on page40)

\$43,494.39 Total Income

\$47,863.01 Total Expense

March 1996 Journal

Joseph A. Hughes, Chair of the Board

Billy J. Rakes, President

Bruce P. Robertson, VP

Henry L. Carty, Secretary/Treasurer

Kathy Fuller, Editor

President Billy Rakes' results of AAPP member survey

Eight (8) questions:

1. Provide regional training seminars, at least one, 2 or 3 day training session to be scheduled and coordinated by Regional Director each year. *Majority voted YES.*
2. AAPP Certification program. *Majority voted YES*
3. Scholarship Program for children/grandchildren. *Majority voted YES*
4. AAPP sponsored insurance.*Majority voted YES*
5. AAPP Directory every 18 months. *Majority voted YES*
6. Print in AAPP Journal the Minutes of the Business Meeting and budget information. *Majority voted YES*
7. More Newsletter or Journal publications. *Majority voted YES*

Overall importance as listed by members:

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|---------------------|-------------------------------|
| 1. Education | 7. Unity/Cooperation |
| 2. Certification | 8. Creditability |
| 3. Professionalism | 9. Uniformity/Standardization |
| 4. Recognition | 10. Insurance |
| 5. Court acceptance | 11. Voice Stress problem |
| 6. Membership | 12. Current info/journals |

Constitution Review Committee chaired by Bruce P. Robertson – pages 40-50.

1996 Seminar held in Burbank, CA.

July 1996 Journal

Billy J. Rakes, Chair of the Board

Linda J. Quinonez, President

Bruce P. Robertson, Vice-President

Henry L. Carty, Secretary/Treasurer

Kathy Fuller, Editor

Gordon Moore elected as Region IV Director

Jesse Delgado elected as Region I Director

Randall Cook re-elected as Region II Director



**Richard O. "Dick" Arther was a guest speaker
in Burbank, CA in 1996 and again in
Cleveland, OH in 2001.**



President Linda J. Quinonez' 1996 Message indicates we are 460 strong and growing.

The AAPP Certification Program was voted on and approved at the 1996 Burbank Seminar

Billy Rakes' Chairman of the Board Message indicates that Linda Quinonez is the 2nd woman in the 20 year history of AAPP to be elected president. Looking forward to celebrating the associations 20th year in Albuquerque, NM next year.

Editor Kathy Fuller's Report states: "This issue includes some photographs from the Seminar in Burbank."

1997 Seminar to be held at The Albuquerque Sheraton Hotel Old Town from April 14-18, 1997. Room rates are \$63.31 plus tax. Seminar Chair is John Mata from DOE.

General Membership Meeting, April 17th: (Synopsis of important issues)

The position of AAPP on the use of voice stress in Law Enforcement was discussed. Motion by Larry Anderson to publish a position paper with the aid of legal advise – motion passed.

Motion by Richard O. Arthur that the AAPP take whatever steps necessary to bring out the truth about CVSA and voice stress testing.

Certification Chair Richard Rackleff presented his report and presented a proposed AAPP Certification Program. Motion by Joe Hughes to accept the AAPP Certification Program presented by Dick Rackleff.

Board Meeting April 18th:

VP Bruce Robertson stated that the membership goal for our 20th anniversary is 600 members. That very possible the Certification Program would be an asset. That he would research the possibilities of securing supporters in assisting the AAPP in gathering information to publish a position paper telling the truth about voice stress in Law Enforcement.

Motion by Henry Canty to hold the next Board Meeting in Albuquerque, NM, the site of the 1997 seminar. This will afford the board an opportunity to make an on site inspection and finalize any items still under consideration.

November 1996 Journal

Billy J. Rakes, Chair of the board

Linda J. Quinonez, President

Bruce P. Robertson, Vice-President

Henry L.Canty, Secretary/Treasurer

Kathy Fuller, Editor

President Linda Quinonez and Editor Kathy Fuller report: "It is with great sadness that we acknowledge the passing of Holly Canty, a past president of our association. Holly dedicated a great deal to this association and will be sorely missed. Holly passed on September 3, 1996. A special memorial was approved by the board – The HollyCanty Memorial Award.

The first Certified Application (3-page) is in the back of this Journal.

1996 Seminar was in Burbank, CA.

1997 Seminar in Albuquerque, NM next year is:
\$175.00 before April 1, 1997.
\$200.00 after April 1, 2007.
\$250.00 for non-members.
Single and double rooms: \$63.31 plus \$6.69 tax



**AAPP Editor Kathy Fuller
AAPP Chairman of the Board John P. Mata
at the 2002 Seminar in Austin, TX**



Standing left to right:
**David Scherer, Peter J. Brannon, Linda J. Quinonez,
Billy Rakes, Art Hadel and Joe Hughes.**

Sitting left to right:
Cooney S. Sarracino and Henry Carty

Picture taken at the 1997 Albuquerque, NM Seminar

March 1997 Journal

Billy J. Rakes, Chair of the Board
Linda J. Quinonez, President
Bruce P. Robertson, Vice-President
Henry L. Carty, Secretary/Treasurer
Kathy Fuller, Editor

President Linda Quinonez' Message thanks VP Bruce Robertson who worked tirelessly to provide the new directories to the members.

VP Bruce Robertson's Message indicates he and the Constitution Committee spent considerable time reviewing and rewriting the Constitution. Their efforts, a 48 page document involving recommendations was sent to each member. Bruce was also assigned the task of mailing the dues notices and membership certificates. Bruce thanked his wife and three kids for helping him and putting up with stacks of boxes and books and understanding why no Christmas decorations were put up this year.

July 1997 Journal

Billy J. Rakes, Chair of the Board
Linda J. Quinonez, President
John P. Mata, Vice-President
Henry L. Carty, Secretary/Treasurer
Ron Fox – New Editor



RON FOX – EDITOR



**John P. Mata, Linda J. Quinonez,
NM Governor Gary Johnson and
Albuquerque PD Recruiting
Sgt. Henry Landavazo**

Albuquerque, NM - 1997

The 1997 Seminar in Albuquerque, NM, was a success. Governor Gary Johnson and Mayor of Albuquerque made appearances. (See photos on page 10)

Editor Ron Fox indicates he is seeking advertisers for the Journal and that the revised AAPP membership application is in this Journal.

Dave Williams from the San Bernardino County Sheriff's Department in California is the 2nd Certification Chairman.

Minutes of the General Membership Meeting (page 70-73)
509 members as of the date of this report
OrlandoFlorida voted by membership for 1998 seminar site.
Pages 77-89: New Constitution that takes affect in 1998.



From left to right:
**Jesse Delgado,
Randy J. Cook,
Carl Reeder,
Linda J. Quinonez,
Gordon W. Moore,
John P. Mata,
Dave Renzelman,
Billy Rakes,
Henry Canty.**



**Albuquerque PD Detective /
Polygraph Examiner Mark
Johnson was the co-host at
the 1997 and 2007 Seminars
in Albuquerque, NM**

October 1997 Journal

Billy J. Rakes, Chair of the Board
Linda J. Quinonez, President
John P. Mata, Vice-President
Henry L. Canty, Secretary/Treasurer
Ron Fox, Editor

President Linda J. Quinonez' Message:
Reminds members that AAPP has a professional QC program.

Vice President John Mata's Message:
Membership has increased by 30%. IN 1996 the association inducted 39 applicants. During the period of January 1 – October 1, 1997, the association received 52 applications with four more pending. To streamline

the membership applications, the application form was revised. The requirement to have the application notarized was dropped since the regional director's investigation of an applicant is very thorough.

1998 Seminar to be held at John Ascuaga's Nugget in Sparks Nevada, May 3-9, 1998.

Board Meeting Minutes, October 10-11, 1997

1. Corporate credit card discussed
2. 40% of members were going to be dropped due to non-payment of 1997 dues.
3. Treasurer's Report to include money in savings account.
4. Upgrade the 286 computer to 486 and purchase a 17" monitor
5. VP Membership Report
6. Scholarship Award presented by Billy Rakes.
7. Format for the three AAPP Awards
8. No Insurance Committee Report – Carl Reeder was absent
9. QC Report by Dave Renzelman
10. Sales of AAPP belts and rings discussed
11. Legislative Report
12. Certification Report
13. Pre-employment Standards Committee Report
14. Editor Ron Fox discussed the many advances he has made in printing the Journal
15. Position paper on voice stress
16. AAPP Principles of Practice
17. AAPP Web site discussed
18. 1998 Seminar discussed
19. Revised AAPP Membership application
20. Travel voucher form presented by Gordon Moore
21. New Constitution discussed
22. Axciton Polygraph School course approved by AAPP.

AAPP's Position Statement on the Use of Voice Stress Analysis (page 10)

January 1998 Journal

Billy J. Rakes, Chair of the Board

Linda J. Quinonez, President

John P. Mata, Vice-President

Henry L. Carty, Secretary/Treasurer

Ron Fox, Editor

President Linda J. Quinonez' Message:

The AAPP presence on the internet is in the works. "The internet is a communication vehicle and we're almost ready to ride. Even old-man Henry is an internet user. Who says ya can't teach an old dog new tricks! Way to go Henry!"

Vice President John Mata's Message:

Membership continues to climb, surpassing last year's total by 47% (73 v 39).

Next year's binder will be in a smaller 5x8 three ring binder to save costs.

Secretary/Treasurer Henry Carty reports that a little over 200 members have not submitted their renewal applications.

Page 19 – first list of New Members
Page 52 – first “For Sale” and “Wanted” advertisements
Page 53 – first “Positions Available” listing
Page 54-55 – “Rings and Things” for sale

Membership & Certification Applications in back of Journal.
Membership: \$60.00 + \$15.00 = \$75.00
Certification: \$10.00



March 1998 Journal

Billy J. Rakes, Chair of the Board
Linda J. Quinonez, President
John P. Mata, Vice-President
Henry Canty, Secretary/Treasurer
Ron Fox, Editor

President Linda J. Quinonez' Message:Linda outlines the board's accomplishments over the last 2 years.

1. Seminar locations set 2-years in advance
2. New Constitution
3. Upswing in membership
4. Journal articles
5. Development of P/E standardization
6. Sex Offender testing training
7. AAPP will soon be on the internet

Vice President John Mata's Message:

Membership tops 600
Oversee the publication of a “special blue book.”
Joint effort with APA to research CVSA.
34 hours of Continuing Professional Education at the upcoming 1998 Seminar

Secretary/ Treasurer Henry Canty's Report involved upcoming elections to be held in Sparks Nevada on May 6, 1998.

The Secretary/ Treasurer will be 2 positions
Henry Canty indicates he will run for the Treasurer's position
Secretary's position will be vacant pending election results
(The Secretary and Treasurer were 2 separate positions in 1982)

Page 23-24: Letter to the Editor by past APA President Ed Gelb from Intercept, Inc in Los Angeles regarding the Cordoba Polygraph Exam by Joe Paolella, the subsequent Daubert Hearing and Judge Gary L. Taylor's ruling.

New members, list of Things, Wanted, Job Postings in back of Journal

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May 1998 Seminar held at John Asuaga's Hotel in Sparks, NV. This was the second of three seminars wherein two-day lectures on PCSOT was provided. Some members commented on the lack of federal training.

From left to right:

Billy Rakes and John Mata with 2008 Seminar Hosts in Sparks,NV

President John Mata assured the members that the PCSOT training in Orlando, FL., next year would be at the end of the seminar.

July 1998 Journal

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**Gordon W. Moore
and
John P. Mata**
Sparks, NV - 1998

President's Message introduced the "AAPP Blue Book." President Mata assigned VP Gordon Moore to an "ongoing project" addressing standardization procedures for AAPP members.

Certification Chair David Williams from the San Bernardino County Sheriff's Department suggested that "certification verifies training" and that the 25 test requirement be dropped. Board unanimous – motion carried.

October 1998 Journal

Linda J. Quinonez, Chair of the Board
John P. Mata, President
Gordon W. Moore, VP
Robert C. Heard, Secretary
Henry L. Carty, Treasurer
Ron Fox, Editor

President's Message: "In the July 1998 Journal, I highlighted one of the objectives our Constitution which was to encourage and develop cooperation among all American Law Enforcement Organizations in the application and utilization of accepted polygraph techniques. If fostering cooperation, I have talked openly with Mr. James Keefe, President of the National Polygraph Association, and Mr. Donald Weinstein, the new president of the American Polygraph Association."

The 1999 Seminar to be held March 29-April 2, 1999 at the Omni Rosen Hotel in Orlando, Florida.

January 1999 Journal

Linda J. Quinonez, Chair of the Board
John P. Mata, President
Gordon W. Moore, Vice President
Robert C. Heard, Secretary
Henry L. Carty, Treasurer
Ron Fox, Editor

President's Message: "Last year, I informed the membership of a personal specific goal to develop what I called a "Blue Book." This book will contain validated testing techniques and the common operating procedures associated with any polygraph program from question construction to quality assurance. This "Blue Book" has become to be known as the AAPP Polygraph Examiner's Handbook. Mr. David Renzelman and Mr. Ronald Fox have helped me greatly in putting this handbook together. I feel certain you

will be proud to own it. It will be provided free to each AAPP member as a privilege and benefit of membership. It will be mailed in early March 1999."

APA President Donald A. Weinstein joins AAPP.

March 1999 Journal

Linda J. Quinonez, Chair of the Board
John P. Mata, President
Gordon W. Moore, Vice President
Robert C. Heard, Secretary
Henry L. Carty, Treasurer
Ron Fox, Editor



Orlando, FL – 1998 Mid-Yr Meeting

*Back row left to right: Michael G. Mann,
David Renzelman(hidden), Dave Miller,
Henry Carty, Ron Fox, GordonW. Moore.*

*Front row: Bill Majeski, a Disney Employee,
Linda J. Quinonez, another Disney
Employee, John P. Mata and Bob Heard.*

President's Message: The AAPP Examiner Handbook, commonly referred to as the "Blue Book" should be in print and in your possession within the next couple of weeks.

"A Victory in Marketing over Research" article by Bob Heard involving voice stress marketing, sales pitches, a July 6, 1998 NBC Dateline show involving the Truster, the City of Henderson lawsuit involving a CVSA exam and the Stephanie Crowe murder and law suit involving a CVSA exam. (Pg 5-8)

Statement of the president of APA to the Department of Professional and Occupational Regulation Common Wealth of Virginia regarding voice stress technology. (pg 35-36)

Seminar held at the Omni Rosen Hotel in Orlando, Florida thanks to Past President Billy Rakes who jumped at the last minute when the original Seminar Chair didn't follow through.

Omni Rosen Hotel room rates: Prevailing Gov't Per Diem rate

Seminar fee: \$225.00 if paid before March 15, 1999.

\$250.00 after March 15th

\$300.00 for non-members

\$150.00 for April 1 & 2, 1999 (Eric Holden's PCSOTTraining)

July 1999 Journal

Linda J. Quinonez, Chair of the Board
John P. Mata, President
Gordon W. Moore, Vice President
Robert C. Heard, Secretary
Henry L. Carty, Treasurer
Ron Fox, Editor



**Linda J. Quinonez and John P. Mata (center)with
examiners from the United Arab Emirates (UAE)
Orlando, FL - 1999**

President John P. Mata's Message:

AAPP is now on the WEB thanks to the dedicated efforts of Linda Quinonez and the help of Vickie T. Murphy, Secretary, APA. Here is the email address: <http://www.polygraph.org:83/aapp.htm>

2000 Seminar will be at the HyattRegencyCrownCenter in Kansas City, MO, May 8-12, 2000.

Henry Carty moved to Costa Rica.

AAPP's new address: Linda J. Quinonez
18160 Cottonwood Rd. #253
Sunriver, OR97707
(888) 743-5479

March 31, 1999 Annual Business Meeting (pg's 10-12)

#14.Raising Dues: Motion by Dave Renzelman to raise the dues to \$90.00. 2nd by Joe Flores. Discussion by Robert E. Lee, Dick Ratcliff and others to raise the dues to \$100.00. Dave Renzelman amended his motion to read \$100.00. 2nd by Dick Ratcliff. Hand vote results: 46 Yes, 4 No. Motion carried.

October 1999 Journal

Billy J. Rakes, Chair of the Board
John P. Mata, President
Gordon W. Moore, Vice President
Robert C. Heard, Secretary
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Ron Fox, Editor

AAPP setting up a credit card account for members to pay dues and seminar fees.

January 2000 Journal

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“We have 760 members to date.”

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\$225.00 if paid before April 1, 2000
\$250.00 if paid after April 1, 2000
\$300.00 for non-members

Room rates: Gov't Per Diem rate of \$85.00 plus tax

March 2000 Journal

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John P. Mata, President
Gordon W. Moore, Vice President

Robert C. Heard, Secretary
Linda Quinonez, Treasurer
Ron Fox, Editor

July 2000 Journal

John P. Mata, Chair of the Board
Gordon W. Moore, President
Michael G. Mann, Vice President
Robert C. Heard, Secretary
Linda J. Quinonez, Treasurer
Tony Barrio, Editor (for the 4th time)

Editor Tony Barrio's comments listed in this Journal are mentioned in the "Introduction" on pages 1-3 of this historical project.

Membership Business Meeting on May 10, 2000 Kansas City, MO.

National Office Manager Position created.

#12. Chairman of the Board John Mata indicated the membership had increased by 400 since 1997.

Suggested that AAPP consider a paid administrator. Discussion.

#13. Motion made by Chris Stull that AAPP should create an administrative position." 2nd by Brian English. Motion carried.

Treasurer Linda J. Quinonez reports:

1. \$2,825.00 was received in the form of donations from contributors at our 2000 seminar thanks to VP Mike Mann.
2. That a "Financial Report" was presented to each member. "There is now a formal record of all financial activities of the AAPP. All accounting information is open to the membership."
3. Creating a National Officer Managers position was approved by the membership and that she was the nominee for that position.

Secretary Robert C. Heard: Initiated the **AAPP Blue Sheet** to document classroom training hours for each attendee. 91 attendees turned in Blue Sheets for classroom credit.

2001 Seminar in Cleveland, OH

John P. Mata, Chair of the Board
Gordon W. Moore, President
Michael G. Mann, VP
Robert C. Heard, Secretary
Bill Reitz Jr., Treasurer
Linda J. Quinonez, National Officer Manager
Tony Barrio, Editor
Jack St. John appointed Editor in June 2001.



**"Ask the Old Timers" Q & A Panel.
Cleve Backster, Richard O. Arthur & Ron Decker.**



Seminar held at the Sheraton Cleveland City Centre Hotel

April 30 – May 4, 2001

\$86.00 Gov't rate plus total tax of 14.5%

\$175.00 Seminar Fee for members

\$250.00 for non-members

AAPP creates new position: The AAPP National Office Manager.

Past President **Linda J. Quinonez** is AAPP's first NOM.



2002 Seminar in Austin, TX

Gordon W. Moore, Chair of the Board

Michael G. Mann, President

Bruce P. Robertson, VP

Robert C. Heard, Secretary

Bill Reitz Jr., Treasurer

Linda J. Quinonez, NOM

Jack St. John, Editor

Hyatt Regency Hotel,

Austin, Texas

April 29 – May 3, 2002



Texas DPS

**AAPP President Michael G. Mann
and his lovely wife Connie.**

Life membership awarded to **Richard O. Arther**.

A Message from AAPP President Michael G. Mann:

The AAPP 25th Silver Anniversary Conference will easily be remembered as one of our association's most successful and exciting seminars. The seminar was memorable to me for many reasons. I was honored and privileged that year to be elected President of the AAPP. Having the election take place during AAPP's largest attended conference made the experience one I'll never forget. In keeping with the cliché "Everything is Bigger in Texas" the support and hospitality we received was phenomenal. The City of Austin and the Hyatt Hotel really treated us well. The leadership demonstrated by our **President Gordon Moore**, who also served as the seminar chairperson was exceptional. The seminar was co-hosted by the Texas DPS, Texas Office of AG, TALEPE.

Additionally, Gordon coordinated generous support from many other state and municipal organizations, local businesses and from all of our polygraph instrument manufacturers. The seminar agenda provided a broad range of topics taught by a core of instructors that presented useful and insightful information. The feedback received from those in attendance was superior. In the end the "Thank You" list was truly impressive, and quite lengthy. At our banquet that year several highlights occurred. We were all treated to an enlightening and good humored presentation by our guest speaker **Judge Ted Poe**. Our country could always use more judges like Judge Poe.

The banquet marked the first presentation of the AAPP Scholarship Award. The program got off to a terrific start and continues to provide wonderful assistance to the children and families of our membership. In recognition of the association's 25th Anniversary we honored our association's founding fathers. In their honor we delivered to each of them the Holly S. Canty Award. However, the most memorable moment of the banquet came when we presented the Max Wastle Sr. Award posthumously in honor of former board member **Dave Miller**. Dave's wife, daughter and grandchildren accepted the award on his behalf and there weren't many dry eyes in the audience. I was told by a close friend of Dave's afterward that the "officers and members of the AAPP are a class act". That comment had always stuck with me and is one of the biggest reasons I am genuinely proud to be a member of this great association. That year's conference closed in traditional fashion, however I truly believe that year's seminar energized the spirit of our association and set a higher standard that our board of directors strives now to maintain. The following year's Seminar Chairperson, **Don Imbordino** and Host **Toby McSwain** immediately began working on the AAPP 26th Annual Conference headed for Hilton Head, SC. That conference, as well as the others that followed, have been tremendously successful. The AAPP is moving forward, healthier and stronger than ever before.

Michael G. Mann

2003 Seminar in Hilton Head, SC

Gordon W. Moore, Chair of the Board
 Michael G. Mann, President
 Bruce P. Robertson, VP
 Robert C. Heard, Secretary
 Toby McSwain, Treasurer
 Linda P. Quinonez, National Officer Manager
 Jack St. John, Editor

HiltonHeadHolidayInnOcean Front
 1 South Forrest Beach Drive
 Hilton Head, SC29928
 Gov't room rate of \$96.00

April 28-May 2, 2003
 Members: \$225.00 Seminar Fee
 Non-members: \$325.00
 166 in attendance (Blue Sheets submitted)



Elections: Michael G. Mann elected to a 2nd term. Bruce Robertson elected to a 2nd term as VP. Toby McSwain elected as Treasurer. Morris Covin elected as Director in Region IV. Don Imbordino elected as Director in Region V.



Top: Beaufort County Deputies with Michael G. Mann, Toby McSwain and Donald J. Imbordino.

Left: Donald J. Imbordino, Roger Butler, Bill Teigen, Michael G. Mann and John P. Mata.

Far left: "Low Country Boil"

2004 Seminar in Vancouver, British Columbia

Michael G. Mann, Chair of the Board
 Bruce P. Robertson, President
 Donald J. Imbordino, VP
 Robert C. Heard, Secretary
 Toby McSwain, Treasurer
 Linda P. Quinonez, National Officer Manager
 Jack St. John, Editor

Vancouver Marriott Pinnacle May 3-7, 2004
 1128 West Hastings St, Vancouver, BCV6E 4R5
 Rooms at Gov't rate of \$96.00 US Dollars
 (\$148.00 Canadian Dollars)

Life Membership nomination for Ronald E. Decker.
 Motion to accept by Billy Rakes
 2nd by Bill Majeski - Motion carried
 The Max Wastl Sr. Award – Elmer Criswell



**Donald J. Imbordino
on patrol in Vancouver**

Bruce Robertson elected as President
Don Imbordino elected as Vice President
Bob Heard re-elected as Secretary

The AAPP Officers pictured to the right
are: 3rd in from left is Janene Gordon,
Region I Director and Seminar Chair
3rd in from right is Michael G. Mann,
Chairman of the Board
Far right is Bruce P. Robertson, President



AAPP President Bruce P.
Robertson with the 2004 Life
Membership Recipient Ronald



A Message from AAPP President Bruce P. Robertson:

The Vancouver seminar will be forever etched into the hearts and minds of everyone fortunate enough to have been there. The beautiful city and surrounds; the Royal Canadian Mounted Police and their stunning uniforms and pageantry; the Canadian hospitality along with the outstanding food and drink; and, so much more.

Seminar Chair **Janene Gordon** and Seminar Host **Dennis Paulson** and their volunteers did an outstanding job! **Mike Mann** and the entire Board made certain that everything went smoothly. We said goodbye to **John Mata** in his role as Board Chairman, but he promised to continue his support and dedication to the AAPP. Don Imbordino stepped up to be elected vice president. This allowed me to appoint and welcome **Karen Clark** as Region V Director. **Tim Madden** moved up the ladder with the Connecticut State Police and chose not to seek re-election because of his additional duties. **Jeff Johnson** came highly recommended and stepped in to fill his shoes. Jeff and Karen were a welcome addition to the Board and both have lived up to their outstanding reputations. The good times had; the hard and well-oiled work of the Board; and meeting new friends and old acquaintances are just a few of the things that make the AAPP such an outstanding association. I treasure these memories and hope they mean as much to all of you.

Bruce P. Robertson

2005 Seminar in Chicago, IL.

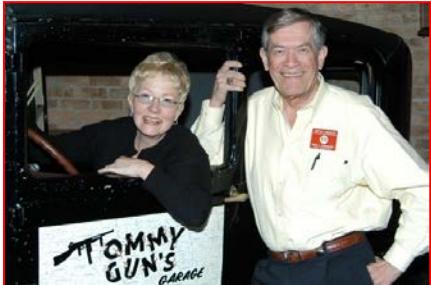
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Linda J. Quinonez, National Officer Manager
Jack St. John, Editor

Chicago City Center Holiday Inn Hotel
300 East Ohio St. Chicago
April 25-29, 2004 224 in attendance



AAPP NOM Linda J. Quinonez from the great state of Oregon steps down as the first National Office Manager. Linda served in various appointed and elected positions with AAPP having since 1992.

CHICAGO



A Message from AAPP President Bruce P. Robertson:

The WindyCity lived up to its reputation in all regards! **Roger Butler, Lori Kosiarek** and the late **Rich Andrews** could certainly testify that the 2005 Chicago seminar had to be one of the toughest to put together in the history of the AAPP. That it rates near the top in attendance and fun attests to the hard work and preparation that went into it. The seminar did bring us all sadness with the unexpected death of Rich, but the outstanding tribute paid to him and his family exemplifies the class act that is the AAPP. Another never-to-be-forgotten moment happened when Don “To Catch a Thief” Imbordino laid the “habeas corpus” on a would be money snatcher eyed by **Chris Fausett** as he stole cash from Rich’s memorial fund donation bowl. The sight of Don, **Cathy Rumsey** and others wrestling the thief to the ground caused much alarm but an equal amount of “bravo” as the situation was quickly brought under control and off he went in handcuffs (apparently the only pair in a building with 250+ police officers in it).

Unbeknownst to anyone, the Chicago seminar would be the last for which **Linda Quinonez**served as our National Office Manager. Linda did an outstanding job and continues to serve the AAPP through her dedication and support. Jeff Johnson and Cathy Rumsey stuck to Roger and Lori like the proverbial “glue” as they prepped for their upcoming seminar. The AAPP welcomed aboard a new QC Director with the appointment of **Elmer Criswell**. I could think of no more qualified person to fill the large shoes of Dave Renzelman and Elmer has taken off with the job. Region V Director **Morris Covin** made the tough decision not to seek re-election, but was instrumental in support of our new director, **Jim Gallagher**, as he won a seat on the Board. Once again, the seminar proved that the AAPP is THE association for polygraph professionals and the Board exemplifies the hard work, caring and professionalism of all of its members. I know that each of you is as proud as I to serve this association and for that, I thank you!

Bruce P. Robertson

2006 Seminar in Portland, Maine

Bruce P. Robertson, Chair of the Board

Donald J. Imbordino, President

Toby McSwain, VP

Robert C. Heard, Secretary

Bill Reitz Jr., Toby McSwain

Julie Gerspacher, National Officer Manager

Jack St. John, Editor

Sheraton South Portland Hotel

363 Maine Mall Road, S.Portland

198 in attendance



Gordon Moore – Recipient of the Max Wastle Sr. Award

Proposed change to the language of the AAPP Constitution and Bylaws. (Bob Heard)

Change in language addressing “Intern” listed in Article VI, E, 1, clarify the meaning of “internship”.

Change E, 1, from: A Law Enforcement Polygraphist as defined in Article III who has completed the classroom portion of an AAPP Recognized school but may not have completed an internship.

Change E, 1, to: A Law Enforcement Polygraphists as defined in Article III, who has completed the classroom portion of an AAPP recognized school but has not completed an internship. No sooner than six months after successful completion of an AAPP recognized polygraph school and successful completion of a minimum of 50 polygraph exams, an Intern member may apply for Active membership by sending a letter to the AAPP Membership Chair. The letter must be signed by a supervisor or Polygraph School Director and confirm the applicant has successfully completed the required 50 exams and the six month requirement.

Motion by Pete Brannon: “In order to qualify for an Executive Officers position, a candidate must be a member of a United States Law Enforcement or Government Agency or Retired there from. Motion to accept recommendation by Don Imbordino. 2nd by Linda Quinonez. Discussion. Motion carried.



**Our new National Officer Manager
Julie Gerspacher with her
firefighter / paramedic husband Mark**



**AAPP Chaplain Detective Barry
CushmanPortland (ME) PD.**



Billy Rakes enjoying his Maine lobster



From left to right standing: Jeff Johnson, Jim Gallagher, Janene Gordon, Julie Gerspacher, Karen Clark, Roger Butler, Jack St. John.

Seated from left to right: Toby McSwain, Donald J. Imbordino, Bruce P. Robertson, Michael G. Mann and Bob Heard.



**Seminar Host Kathy Rumsey
directing traffic at the
Lobster Feast**



Newly elected AAPP President Donald J. Imbordino and his lovely wife Tammie being congratulated by outgoing AAPP President Bruce P. Robertson and his lovely wife Beckie.

A Message from AAPP President Donald J. Imbordino:

The 2006 Portland, Maine seminar will be remembered as an outstanding week filled with education and good times. Region III Director and Seminar Chair **Jeff Johnson** assisted by our Host **Cathy Rumsey** of the Bangor Police Department are to be commended for a job very well done. We have received many compliments concerning the level of training offered and the fun filled events after hours. Having been a seminar chair myself, I don't think a better job could have been done.

As we know, preparation for a seminar begins well over a year in advance and is truly a team effort by everyone on the board. I sincerely believe the AAPP Board is comprised of the finest polygraph professionals in the world, each of them being extremely dedicated to our association. I am very fortunate to be able to work with these fine men and women and be part of that team. However, none of this would even be possible without all of our excellent members and our generous sponsors. Saying thank you to the board and seminar host seems like such a small reward in view of the monumental tasks they often perform.

Nevertheless, I offer my heartfelt thanks for everything each board member does all year - every year, and to our 2006 Seminar Host **Cathy Rumsey**. The best secretary any association could possibly have is our very own, **Bob Heard**. The publication you are now reading was created by him. Bob has taken it entirely upon himself to provide us with these documented memories of days gone by. Memories I know we will all cherish forever. *Thanks my friend!*

Donald J. Imbordino

2007 Seminar in New Mexico

Bruce P. Robertson, Chair of the Board

Donald J. Imbordino, President

Toby McSwain, VP

Robert C. Heard, Secretary

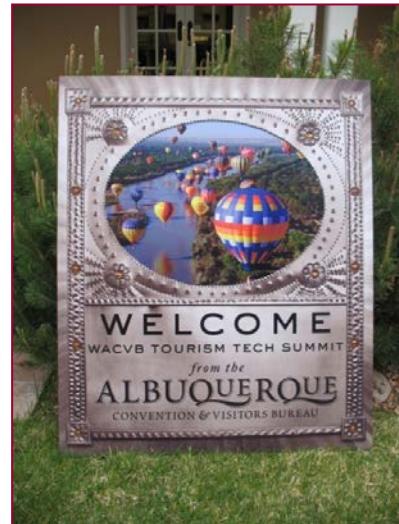
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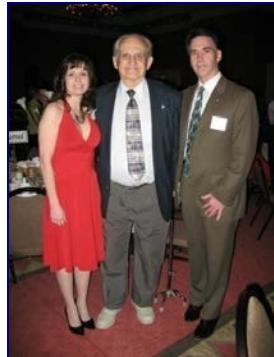
Albuquerque, NM – Hotel Albuquerque at OldTown
800 Rio Grande Blvd., NW, Albuquerque, NM

292 in attendance



Standing from left to right:
Jeff Johnson, Jack St. John, Karen Clark, Julie Gerspacher, Janene Gordon, Elmer Criswell, John Pankonin and Jim Gallagher.

Seated from left to right:
Gordon W. Moore, Bruce P. Robertson, Donald J. Imbordino, Toby McSwain, Barry Cushman and Bob Heard.



From left to right:

**AAPP Chairman Bruce P. Robertson,
AAPP Vice-President Toby McSwain,**

**2007 Max Wastl Award Recipient Cleve Backster
AAPP President Donald J. Imbordino**

1997 & 2007 Host Mark Johnson

A Message from APP President Donald J. Imbordino:

“Our 30th Anniversary Seminar at Albuquerque has now come and gone. I must congratulate Region IV Director Jim Gallagher for doing an outstanding job. Jim provided us with a week of excellent training and I thank him for all the hard work he put into making this seminar the success it was. Jim was assisted by another outstanding individual who made sure our time in his great city enjoyable and ensured that every thing went smoothly. Mega thanks to our host Mark Johnson from Albuquerque PD. It would be impossible to have a successful seminar without a dedicated host and Mark went above and beyond in every aspect.

Many thanks to our sponsors and to those of you who brought door prizes. Without each of you we wouldn’t have been able to provide the 300 in attendance with the quality seminar we have been accustomed to. I would also like to thank James Dillard of the US Postal Inspection Service for providing his expert audio-visual and photography services once again.

At this year’s seminar Chairman Bruce Robertson and I had an informal meeting with the school directors in attendance. We found this meeting to be beneficial for all concerned and we agreed that this is something we should schedule each year.

We now are looking to 2008 when we will meet again to attend the 31st Anniversary Polygraph Seminar in Jacksonville, Florida. Region V Director & Seminar Chair Karen Clark is already working on the seminar and from what we have discussed so far, I know we will have another great week of training and fun. Our host for Jacksonville is Lt. Tammy Binder of the Florida Highway Patrol. The seminar will be held May 19-23, 2008, at the Hyatt Regency Hotel on the St John River. This is a large hotel with 1200 rooms.

I would like to personally congratulate and recognize this year’s award recipients for making a positive impact on our profession and association. Congratulations for your exemplary performances as polygraphists.

Cleve Backster – Max Wastl Sr. Award

Bruce Robertson – Holly S. Carty Award

Jamie Skeeters – Region I Director’s Award

Geoffrey Flohr – Region II Director’s Award

Timothy Madden – Region II Director’s Award

Chris Schaefer – Region IV Director’s Award

Steve Hooker – Region V Director’s Award

I sincerely thank you for electing me to a second term as president of our great association. It is truly an honor and a privilege to serve you in this capacity. I promise to always do everything in my power to keep our association and profession moving forward with honor and integrity.”

Donald J. Imbordino

2008 Seminar in Jacksonville, Florida

Donald J. Imbordino, Chair of the Board

Toby McSwain, President

Jim Gallagher, VP

Robert C. Heard, Secretary

Gordon Moore, Treasurer

Julie Gerspacher, NOM

Jack St. John, Editor

Co-sponsored by the Florida Polygraph Association.
415 in attendance. Three overflow hotels were needed.



**The Hyatt on the St. John's River
Jacksonville, FL - 2008**



Standing from left to right:
**Jack St. John, John P. Mata, Janene Gordon,
Elmer Criswell, Karen Clark and Vincent
Hernandez.**

Sitting from left to right:
**Gordon W. Moore, Julie Gerspacher, Donald J.
Imbordino, Toby McSwain, Jim Gallagher, Barry
Cushman and Bob Heard**

The Luau



**President Toby McSwain,
his lovely wife Angela
& their daughter
Annabelle**

**President Toby McSwain with
MelonyJavens from
Complete Equity Markets.**



A Message from President Toby McSwain:

First and foremost, thank you to everyone who attended the Seminar in Jacksonville. Also, thanks to each of you who supported me and have given me your trust and confidence. I feel honored to serve as President and be part of such an outstanding professional organization. I promise to work hard to keep this association on track and make decisions that are in the best interest of AAPP. I will try to keep you updated on changes affecting the AAPP or polygraph in general. As I look down the list of over 1000 members, I see names of some of the best polygraph examiners in the country. I am truly honored to be your president.

Regarding the Jacksonville Seminar, a round of applause and standing ovation is in order for **Karen Clark**. It was obvious that Karen had gone above and beyond the call of duty by putting together this outstanding week of training and fellowship. The week ran like a well-oiled machine. This seminar made AAPP history by having the largest number of attendees. We also had 178 new membership applicants this last year. That is a record number! It is very apparent that our regional directors, as well as our members, have been doing some recruiting.



***Seminar Chair
Karen Clark***

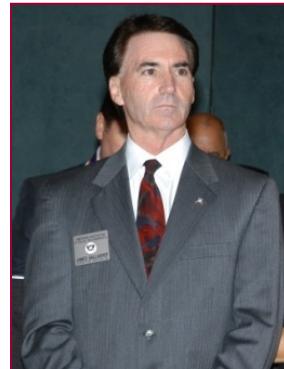
My thanks to **Tammy Binder** and members of the Florida Highway Patrol for their help throughout the week. Also, a special thanks to **Randy Dey** and the Florida Polygraph Association for your support and help throughout the week in Jacksonville.

With new board members arriving, this means saying good-bye to old ones. Region II Director **John Pankonin** has stepped down from his position due to family constraints and will be sadly missed. John is a hard worker always looking for the best interest of AAPP. Also stepping down is Region III Director **Jeff Johnson**. I would like thank Jeff for his hard work and achievements on behalf of AAPP. It's nice to know that I will always be able to rely on Jeff for his knowledge and experience.

Chairman **Bruce P. Robertson** has passed the torch to **Donald J. Imbordino**. I would like to thank Bruce for his many years of service to the AAPP. I have learned much through Bruce's leadership and guidance of his Association.



Left:
**Outgoing Chairman of
the Board**
**Bruce P.
Robertson**



Right:
**Incoming VP
Jim Gallagher**

I would like to congratulate my new right hand man **Jim Gallagher**. I am very excited about having Jim in the role of Vice President. Jim has been with the board for many years and can always be counted on for his hard work and dedication.

Toby McSwain

2009 Seminar in South Lake Tahoe, NV

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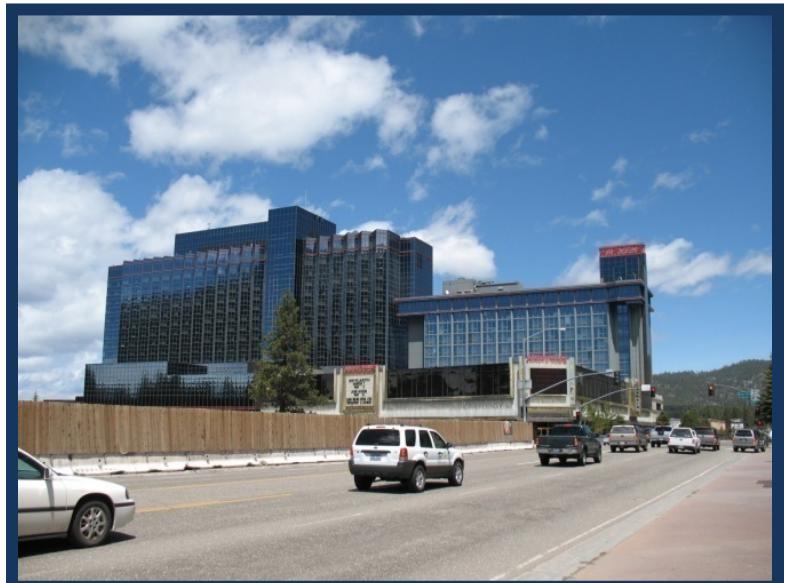
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**Harvey's Lake Tahoe Hotel & Casino
Stateline, NV - 2009**



Back row from left to right:
Janene Gordon, Mark Handler, Karen Clark, Barry Cushman, Vince Hernandez, Elmer Criswell, John P. Mata, Jim Wardwell and National Office Manager Julie Gerspacher.

Seated from left to right:
Gordon W. Moore, Jim Gallagher, Donald J. Imbordino, Toby McSwain and Bob Heard



Chaplain Barry Cushman, President Toby McSwain, Chair Donald J. Imbordino and Seminar Chair Janene Gordon



The Texas DPS Group

From left to right:
AAPP member #1001 Gordon W. Moore,
AAPP member #2780 & APA President Mike Gouger,
AAPP member #2 Johnny Maxwell, AAPP
member #3 Dr. Antonio "Tony" Barrio
AAPP member #1 William "Bill" Taylor

Message from AAPP President Toby McSwain:

Our 32nd Annual Seminar in South Lake Tahoe is now history. AAPP has been very fortunate over the years to work with several state associations in hosting a seminar. This year was no different. We teamed up with President **Ron Hillye** and the California Association of Polygraph Examiners to host the 32nd Annual Seminar in Lake Tahoe. Ron, it was a pleasure working with you and your board throughout the week. The CAPE board is truly one group of professionals dedicated to serving the polygraph community. To all the members of CAPE, thank you so much for your help.

I would like to congratulate Region I Director **Janene Gordon** for putting together an outstanding seminar. She worked hard for months making sure that every detail was covered. I took the opportunity to read each critique the members completed during the seminar. And from them I gathered that the seminar was an

overwhelming success. If you didn't get the opportunity to attend, you missed an outstanding week of instruction and fellowship. Janene you have once again proven that you are a valuable asset to the AAPP. Thank you so much for all your hard work.

In order for the Regional Director to put together a successful seminar, it is imperative to have a seminar host to help out with planning the week. Janene had the help of two great hosts, **Capt. David Aymami** of the Douglas County Sheriff's Office and **Steve von Rumpf** of the Nevada Department of Public Safety. Together these gentlemen collected numerous door prizes and helped arrange the spouse's trips to surrounding cities. David and Steve, thank you so much for taking time out to help us make this a special seminar. We couldn't have done it without you!

A great big thanks to the Douglas County Sheriff's Honor Guard Explorers and to our wonderful singers **Tammie Jessen-Iverson**, **Cheri Kagan** and **Kristina Hoffman** for making our opening ceremony and banquet very special.

At this year's seminar we had several special guests that came and spoke to the membership. AAPP's founding fathers! During the open floor discussion we all listened to how and why AAPP was created and the many hurtles they overcame to start this great association. Gentlemen, we thank you for your leadership and guidance over the years. "It doesn't matter who gets the credit, just as long as it gets done." **Johnnie Maxwell**.

I would also like to say "Thank You" to all the volunteers who helped out during the week. We make every effort to make the registration process as smooth as possible. But in order to do that, it takes volunteers to make it happen. Many of you also donated door prizes and gifts for our scholarship raffle. Again, thank you so very much. Also, a big heart filled thanks to our sponsors for all your generous donations. Hosting a seminar of this size would not be possible without their support.

When you speak about hard work, dedication and going above the call of duty, then you have to mention the name **James Dillard**. Mr. Audio Visual extraordinaire!

James has been the AAPP's AV expert for many years. He volunteered his time when he was employed with the US Postal Service and now that he is retired, is still our number #1 guy.



James Dillard and his lovely wife LeBrenda

This year, James had a side kick that we all know, **Jeff Johnson**. Between the two, they saved AAPP thousands of dollars in AV costs. In addition to James AV work, he is also our official AAPP photographer. Many of the pictures that you will receive on the photos on CD, were taken by James. James and Jeff, thanks for all your hard work during the seminar.

I am pleased to inform you that the AAPP **William "Buddy" Sentner Scholarship Raffle** was a huge success. The drawing was held on Wednesday at the business meeting and AAPP Member **John R. Schwartz** of U.S. Customs and Border Protection was the grand prize winner. John elected to take the \$10,000.00 cash and in turn made a substantial donation towards the scholarship fund. John, again thank you for your support and generosity towards AAPP. Since John elected to take the cash, during Thursday night's banquet, we auctioned off the Harley Motorcycle. Opening bid was \$8000.00! **Limestone Owner Jamie Brown** won with a final bid offer of \$11,300.00.

Jamie, thank you for all that you have done for AAPP over the years. Congratulations on your new Harley....and remember...drive safely!



John R. Schwartz with Toby McSwain holding the \$10,000.00 check

Jamie Brown from Limestone raising his hands in victory

Captain Bruce P. Robertson and Jamie Brown picking up the Harley Davidson motorcycle from Buckmann's Harley Davidson in Xenia, Ohio.

Thank you to all who purchased and sold tickets for this great cause. We all owe special thanks for past president **Bruce Robertson** who chaired the raffle committee. Bruce did an outstanding job organizing and handling all the details of the motorcycle purchase. Bruce, we thank you for all your hard work and making the raffle a successful one!

During **Mike Mann's** presidency, he paved the way for the scholarship fund to be handled by a non-profit agency called "Working Families' Friend". This agency has handled all the administrative duties for this fund at no charge. I am happy to report that during the board of directors meeting in Tahoe, we voted to make a donation to Working Families' Friend in the amount of \$1000. Thank You Working Families' Friend for supporting the AAPP!

No sooner do we finish with one seminar before we are already making plans for the next one. In 2010, we hope to bring you yet another great AAPP Seminar. Look out St. Louis, here we come! This seminar will be held at the St. Louis Union Station Marriott located in the heart of St. Louis. This is truly a gorgeous hotel, not to mention it is also a piece of history.

Please mark your calendar for May 3-7, 2010. We have negotiated a room rate of \$105.00 that will include three days both prior/post the seminar for those of you wanting to make this a vacation. Please make plans to register early. This will allow me the opportunity to adjust the room block if needed. If you would like to recommend a speaker or topic, please don't hesitate to get in contact with Vince Hernandez. We always welcome your input.

During the business meeting in Tahoe, the membership voted on the 2011 seminar site. This is the order of selection: 1) Boston 2) Baltimore and 3) Pittsburgh. Region III Director Jim Wardwell will be handling this seminar. We are gathering proposals from all locations in order to make a selection that best suits our needs and price. We will keep you posted on how negotiations are going.

I would like to personally thank this year's awards recipients for your exemplary performance and commitment to the polygraph profession: Congratulations!

Jeff Johnson- Max Wastle Sr. Award

Don Krapohl- Holly S. Carty Award

Don Weinstein- Life Membership Award

Leonard Salcedo- Region I Director's Award

Roger Butler- Region II Director's Award

Jonathan Laughlin- Region III Director's Award

David E. Moore- Region IV Director's Award
George Louk- Region V Director's Award

In closing, I'd like to thank all of you for supporting me for a second term in office. This is a great association and I will strive to set the bar a little higher and ensure that you receive the best training possible. Thank you for your support! As always, safe and pleasant journeys....

Toby McSwain

THERE IS A NEW STAR IN THE COSMOS

By: Dr. Antonio "Tony" Barrio, AAPP #3
August 2009

How can anyone in a short article pay due homage to the person that single handedly started this Association? The first national and now international Association of Police Polygraphists. How can I express my true feelings at the untimely passing of a man who stood by his principles and went against the requests, suggestions, and even threats uttered by some of the most "venerable" personages in our chosen career? Persons that implied that the creation of our esoteric group would split the profession yet joined our group after seeing our unpredictable success.

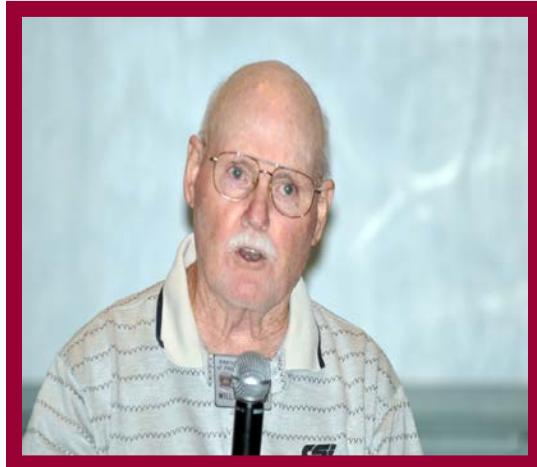
Not every hero I have encountered in my life has been in the battlefields of war, some of the greatest heroes are those that put their career and success in jeopardy by standing for their principles against the most powerful adversaries. The foremost of those heroes was my friend, my fraternity brother, my confidant and my colleague, **Capt. (Ret.) William J. Taylor** who was called to serve the Grand Architect of the universe on August 17, 2009. I am sure that when Bill's soul stood before His great throne he heard these words from the Lord "Well done thy good and faithful servant, welcome thou into my home."

Bill was first diagnosed with malignant cancer before he entered the field of polygraph 37 plus years ago. He never complained, sought special favors or told anyone save family and a small group of true friends. Bill fought his disease by volunteering for a then new and experimental treatment and for years conquered the deadly tumors, surpassing the expectations of all his doctors. The malignancies finally took their toll but never such a valiant fight has been waged with such serenity and dignity. That was Bill Taylor. He was first a faithful and loyal husband and loving father, a patriot, a leader, a brother to his friends and a fearless adversary to those he deemed disloyal, unworthy, or unpatriotic. Bill Taylor personified the integrity of character, morals, ethics, and professionalism we should all strive to achieve. In his quiet and unassuming manner he brought untold honor to our profession refusing to take credit for his actions. Bill was the force behind not only the creation of AAPP, but prior to that the maintenance of the state of Texas Board of Polygraph Examiners, where he served as Chairperson for many years, introducing programs and requirements that angered others not fit to carry his polygraph case, but persistence and fiercely clinging to his ideals eventually proved supreme. Bill was also the initiator of the Texas Department of Public Safety Polygraph Academy, the largest such state academy training strictly criminal justice related examiners from every state in the nation, a self-sustaining academy that is deemed to be one of the best, if not the best among those not supported by federal funds, yet able to provide extremely relative low cost to the criminal justice agencies, some of which could not afford the lofty prices of other such instructional places. It was Bill Taylor's foresight and energy that founded in 1984 the Texas Association of Law Enforcement Polygraph Investigators that tailors its seminars to the budget and needs of those that are fighting crime, terror, and delinquency on a daily basis.

I have a penchant for ascribing personalities to celestial bodies. Some persons I class as satellites, able to survive by proximity to larger persons; others I class as meteors, they come out of nowhere, make a big splash of light for a short time and then disappear forever. Others yet I class as nebulas, a diffused mass of gas and matter that has yet

to be formed. Then there are the rare persons I class as comets, they come but once every few years, pass slowly illuminating the sky and leave behind a tail of brightness for all to admire. In my long life I have only classed two polygraphists as comets, but there is one heavenly body that it is more important yet than a comet and that is a “star”.

Never have I classed a colleague before as a true star. Bill Taylor is the first. As a star he created life for several organizations, just as a sun creates life by giving light and warmth. As a star Bill Taylor will shine in an empyrean galaxy for millenniums, not seen, but known to be there. I’ll miss you Bill.



William J. Taylor
AAPP #1

APA Magazine Article by Don Weinstein
July/August 2009



Message from outgoing APA Board Member **Don Weinstein** on pages 21-22:

"I would like to take this opportunity to once again, thank the Board and membership of the American Association of Police Polygraphists (AAPP), as a member of that superb organization, for the honor they bestowed on me recently with the award of Life Membership in the AAPP. I was and remain deeply thankful and humbled. Ever since I was fortunate enough to achieve a leadership role in the APA, I have always wanted to have both organizations "sheath their swords" and work together for the betterment of the profession. While not completely realized, I think that desire is closer now than it has ever been. If the honor the AAPP bestowed on me is in recognition of that effort, the award belongs to every member of the AAPP and the APA who envisioned this collaborative effort. I am truly honored to carry that vision for the entire profession."

*2010 AAPP's 33rd Annual Seminar
St Louis, Missouri
May 3-7, 2010*

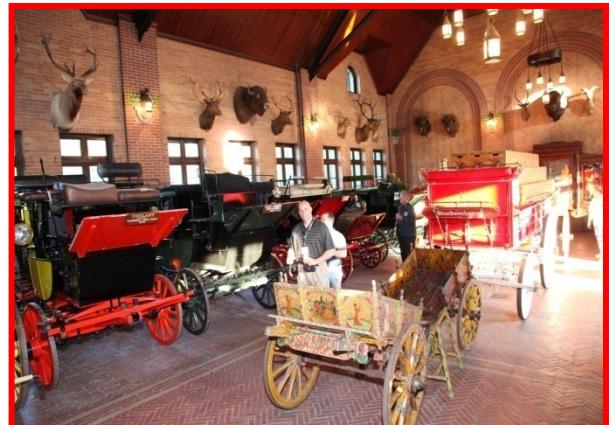


Standing left to right:
Editor Jack St John, Chaplain Barry Cushman, National Office Manager Julie Gerspacher, Region 5 Director Karen Clark, Region 4 Director Tracey Hilton, Region 3 Director James Wardwell, Region 2 Director and 2010 St Louis Seminar Chair Vince Hernandez, Region 1 Director Geoffrey Flohr, QC Director Elmer Criswell, and Research Chair Mark D. Handler.



Sitting from left to right:
Treasurer Gordon W. Moore, Vice President Janene Gordon, President Toby McSwain, Chairman of the Board Donald J. Imbordino and Secretary Robert C. "Bob" Heard.

**Many thanks to our seminar hosts
Garry Miller, St Louis County Police Department (left)
and Derek Piasecki, St. Charles Police Department (right).**

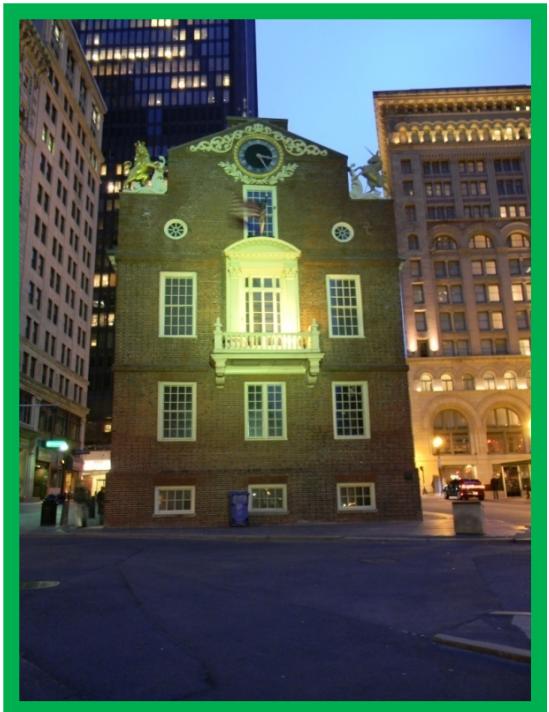


Message from President Toby McSwain

I should like to thank you very much for electing me to my 3rd term as your president. Our 33rd Annual Seminar in St. Louis is now in the record books. I must congratulate Region II Director Vincent Hernandez and his two local assistants Derek Piasecki with the City of St. Charles Police Department and Garry Miller with the St. Louis County Police Department. I thank the Tri-State Polygraph Association for their assistance and financial support and a special thanks to Courtney Brown of the St. Louis Convention & Visitors Commission.

I welcome our new Region IV Director Tracy Hilton who will replace outgoing director John Mata. It is with sadness that we say "so long" to John Mata who served this association in various positions as well as two terms as president. We will miss his leadership and guidance but mostly his friendship.

Cambridge Massachusetts March 28 – April 1, 2011



2010-2011 Officers, Regional Directors and Committee Chairs.

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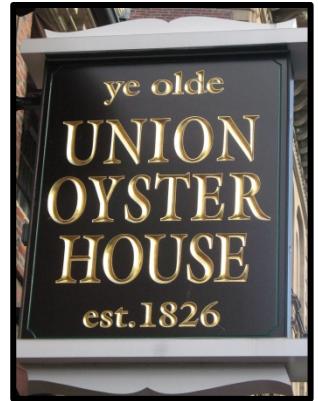
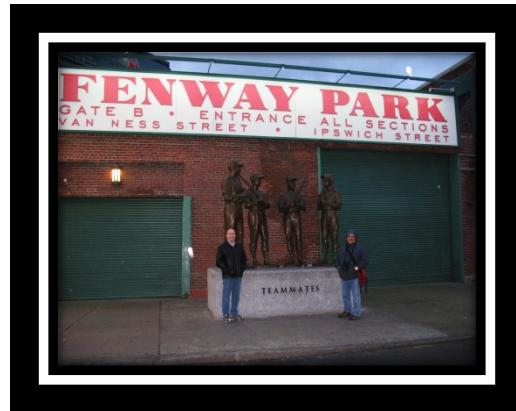
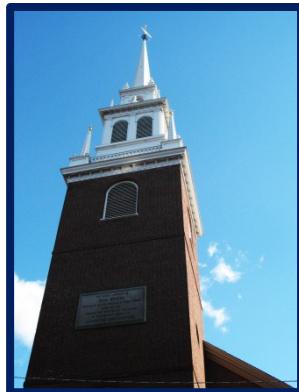
Treasurer Gordon W. Moore, President Bruce P. Robertson, Chairman Toby McSwain, Vice-President Karen Clark, National Office Manager Julie Gerspacher, General Counsel David Nagle, and Secretary Robert C. "Bob" Heard.

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Research Chair Mark Handler, Chaplain Barry Cushman, Region I Director Ronald Hilly, QC Chair Elmer Criswell, Region V Director Frank Suddreth, Region II Director Vince G. Hernandez, Region III Director and 2011 Seminar Chair James Wardwell, and Region IV Director Tracey Hilton.



Massachusetts State Police & Cambridge Police Department Honor Guards



Message from President Bruce P. Robertson: “A special thanks to each of you for supporting my bid for reseent and the warm wishes sent my way. Also to Jim Wardwell who put on a fantastic seminar all the while holding down a full time job, pursuing his Master’s Degree and preparing to run his 20th Boston Marathon which he successfully finished.

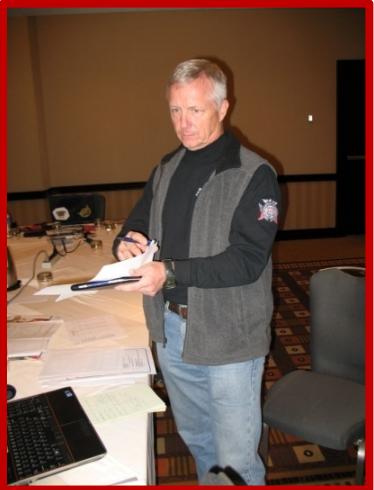
Thanks to Janene Gordon, Jack St. John and outgoing Chairman Donald J. Imbordinofor their dedicated service to the board. Many thanks to James Dillard and Jeff Johnson for their AV work. Congratulations are in order to newly elected VP Karen Clark, Treasurer Gordon Moore, Regional Directors Tracey Hilton and Frank Suddreth.

Special congratulations to award winners Ron Homer, Michigan State Police Forensic Polygraph Unit, Timothy Cotton, Matt Kicks, Dale Clark, Tony Barrio, Linda Quinn, Ron Decker and Jose Gonzales. We welcome aboard our new Editor Roger Butler. Roger served many years on the Board.

AAPP is working with the APA, NPA and ASTM and others to address the Academy of Science report and legislation being worked on in Senator Leahy’s office. We are in the process of forming a Scientific Work Group (SWG) to further this process along.

Now we move on from Boston to Denver. Tracey Hilton is feverishly working on the Denver seminar.

**Denver Colorado
April 30 – May 4, 2012
Hyatt Regency Tech Center**



**Tracey Hilton
Seminar Chair**



*2012-2013 Officers, Board of Directors and Committee Chairs
From left to right front row:*

Treasurer Gordon Moore, National Office Manager Julie Gerspacher, President Bruce Robertson, VP Karen Clark and Secretary Robert "Bob" Heard.

From left to right middle row:
QC Director Elmer Criswell, Region IV Director Tracey Hilton, Region I Director Ronald Hilley, Research Director Mark Handler, Region III Director James Wardwell.

From left to right top row:
Editor Roger Butler, Region V Director Frank Suddreth, Region II Director Vince Hernandez and Chaplain Barry Cushman.





Roger & Leesa Butler



Mark & Julie Gerspacher

President's Message

Just back from the mid-year Board meeting in Charlotte, NC. It was great to sit down face-to-face with all of your hardworking Board members. Frank Suddreth has put together a great speakers' list which is in the process of being finalized.

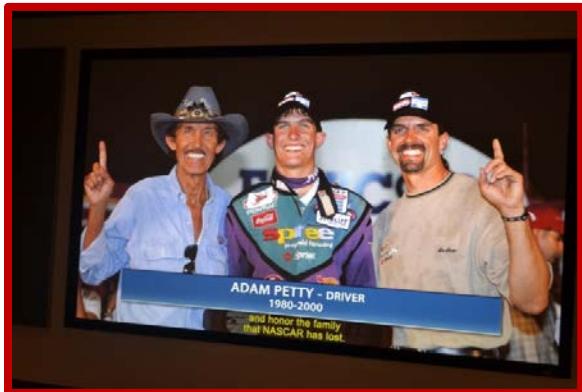
We negotiated with the NASCAR Hall of Fame which is within walking distance of the hotel. Even if you are not a race fan it is definitely an attraction you will want to visit as it is quite entertaining. I hope to see about five hundred of us there!

The AAPP Board of Directors has decided that AAPP will use a hotel sourcing (contract negotiator) firm for the next two seminars (Regions I and II in 2014 and 2015 respectively).

Our board meeting reminded me of several important qualities about our profession and who we are as polygraphists and an association. One important quality that comes to mind is teamwork. Your Board of Directors works very hard to serve the membership recognizing that it is you, the members, who make the AAPP the great association that it has become.

Bruce P. Robertson

Charlotte, NC
June 3-7, 2013



Top left to right: Barry Cushman, Roger Butler, Vince Hernandez, Frank Suddreth, Elmer Criswell, Julie Gerspacher, Eileen Ryan, Tracey Hilton, Ron Hillye. Seated left to right: Gordon Moore, James Wardwell, Bruce Robertson, Karen Clark and Bob Heard.



NASCAR Hall of Fame

Mexico Delegation



AAPP Presidents from left to right:

Billy J. Rakes. 1995-1996

Donald J. Imbordino, 2006-2008

Toby McSwain. 2008-2011

Bruce P. Robertson, 2004-2006, 2011-2013

Peter J. Brannon, 1992-1994

John P. Mata, 1998-2000

Joseph A. Hughes, Jr., 1994-1995

Gordon W. Moore, 2000-2002

Michael G. Mann, 2002-2004

**January 2014
Announcement:**

Editor Roger Butler, seen here with his lovely wife Leesa, has announced that all AAPP Journals will be posted on line in digital format from this point forward.



President's Message

Even though I am excited about my new position on the board, it is also a very sad time as Toby McSwain leaves the board in which he has served as Treasurer, vice president, president and chair of the board over the last many years.

Now some good news: We welcome our new board member Eileen Ryan from New York and congratulate Regional Directors Tracey Hilton and Frank Suddreth on their re-election. I want to also thank Bruce Robertson who has helped me over the past year.

I want to thank all of the hard working board members and committee chairs including the two hardest working people on our board; National Office Manager Julie Gerspacher and Secretary Bob Heard. Without these two fine people the AAPP would not be the same. The extra hours at night and weekends that Julie and her firefighting husband Mark put in to make the AAPP the organization that it is today are very much appreciated.

Have you great summer and I hope to see you in Nevada in 2014.

Karen Clark

Henderson, NV 2014



The Hilton Hotel Lake Las Vegas



Front row left to right: Treasurer Gordon Moore, Research Chair Mark Handler, Chair of the Board Bruce Robertson, President Karen Clark, National Office Manager Julie Gerspacher, Vice President James Wardwell, Secretary Bob Heard. *Back row left to right:* Region IV Director Frank Suddreth, Region IV Director Tracey Hilton, Region III Director Eileen Ryan, Region I Director and 2014 Seminar Chair Ronald Hilley, Region II Director Derek Piasekci, Editor Roger Butler and AAPP Chaplain Barry Cushman.



I could go on all day talking about the April 28 – May 2, 2014 seminar held in Lake Las Vegas, Henderson, NV. So where exactly do I start? This year we broke a record with 700+ registrations. The unexpected numbers had your board of directors scrambling around to get extra supplies and rearranging classroom space to accommodate everyone. That was a great problem to have. Our vendors assisted with generous donations. The instrument companies presentations were a full day instead of the two hours that we have had in the past. The seminar was business casual which was openly accepted by the attendees. Over and over again, we heard from the attendees that they appreciated not having to dress up. We plan to keep this casual dress code for future seminars.

Region I Director Ron Hilley made sure that our attendees were able to select which class they wanted to attend without having an either/or but rather, “Oh my goodness, which class shall I pick?” I received many compliments. The compliments mean a lot to us. I know in the past that when you read through our articles in the AAPP Journal that it appears that we are just trying to pat ourselves on the back about the success of our seminars. While I am not patting myself on my back, I am patting your board on the back for a job well done! Each one of your board members brings a different personality and a different specialty to the table. They sometimes put in around the clock hours to get things done for seminars.

Region I Director Ron Hilley began planning the 2014 seminar in 2012. With AAPP Treasurer Gordon Moore’s help, Ron was able to secure talented speakers. AAPP Chairman Bruce Robertson is probably one of the best public speakers and leaders in that field that I have ever had the pleasure of knowing. I wish to express my gratitude to Bruce for stepping up and being our Master of Ceremonies this year. It was very much appreciated. Another hidden talent we have on our board belongs to our newly elected Region III Director Eileen Ryan. I was amazed as the speed in which she picked up on what needed to be done and organized to the best way to make it happen. She and Region IV Director Tracey Hilton jumped in with both feet and got it done!

Some of you may not be aware of this but towards the end of the week one of our speakers was stuck at the airport due to weather issues. She was not able to arrive on time for her class. AAPP Secretary Bob Heard jumped right in and filled that space with a top notch presentation. Those in attendance raved about Bob’s presentation in their Evals. We will definitely have him teach again next year in Grand Rapids, Michigan.

Speaking of people that we cannot do without and cannot say enough about is our National Office Manager Julie Gerspacher. Julie and her husband Mark worked non-stop. With all of the registrations and issues associated with cancellations and non-stop incoming registrations, Julie and Mark never batted an eye. They kept the ball rolling. I do not know what I personally and AAPP as a whole would do without them. And right by my side during the seminar was your Vice President Jim Wardwell. This seminar was a learning curve for all of us. I had been on the board since 2004. I have worked and helped to put on many good AAPP seminar. Vice President Jim Wardwell and I winged it together. I am very proud to call him my wing man!

We welcomed our newly elected Region II Director Derek Piasecki to the team. He is a true fit with your board and I look forward to working with him as we kick off the process of making 2015 a great seminar. Our dear friend Sgt. Vince Hernandez retired from the Nebraska State Patrol. He stepped down as Region II Director after many years of dedicated service to the great state of Nebraska and to the AAPP.

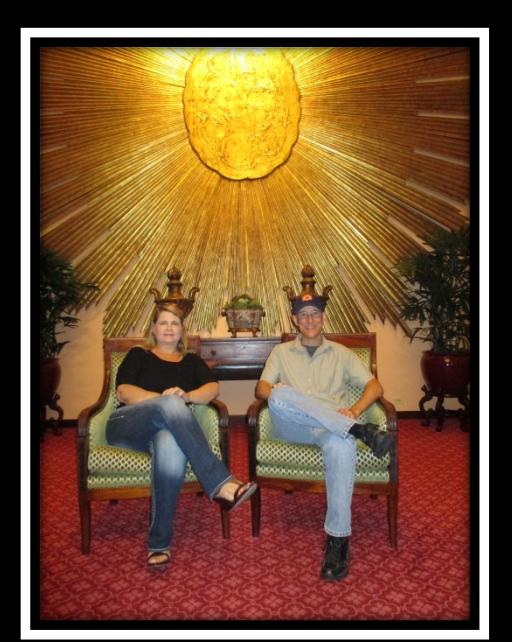
Another “Thank You” to James Brown from Limestone Instruments who purchased his 2nd Harley Davidson m/c during the an AAPP Awards Banquet. All of the proceeds from the motorcycle raffle and the sale of that motorcycle went to the scholarship fund.

I need to thank Gordon Moore’s wife Kim, Editor Roger Butler’s wife Leesa, Region I Director Ron Hilley’s wife Carol, Chairman Bruce Robertson’s wife Becky, and National Office Manager Julie Gerspacher’s husband Mark for their assistance. Their help was tremendously appreciated. I also wish to thank Jennifer Herring with NHS, the past presidents and all of you who attended the 2014 seminar in Henderson, Nevada.

I thank all of you for the opportunity to serve another year as your president. It is a great honor. It was a great week. I look forward to seeing all of you again in Grand Rapids, Michigan in 2015.

Karen E. Clark
AAPP President

Grand Rapids, MI



Chair of the board Karen Clark
President James Wardwell



2015-2016 Officers and Board

Standing from left to right: Barry Cushman, Mark Handler, Ron Hilley, Derek Piasecki, Adam Rembisz, Eileen Ryan, Frank Suddreth, Roger Butler.

Seated from left to right: Gordon Moore, Julie Gerspacher, Karen Clark, James Wardwell, Tracey Hilton and Bob Heard.

June 2015

President's Message

Thank you, the members of the American Association of Police Polygraphists, for placing your faith in me as your new president. I am truly humbled and honored to have been elected to this position. There is no finer professional law enforcement association than the American Association of Police Polygraphists. During my career I have belonged to and am still a member of many professional groups, but the AAPP is the best without any doubt. What makes the AAPP a top tier association is its members and their insistence on excellence. It is excellence that the AAPP strives to deliver through the best training and support possible.

The AAPP is an amazing association. It is an amazing association because of you, its members. I have donned many hats during my career in different disciplines. I have been part of so many different groups and associations. It is the AAPP that stands out among all the others. Every year at our annual training conference we come together to learn from each other. We do this with an attitude that we can always learn to do better. I have yet to see our members shy away from learning new material or reinforcing some of the basics of polygraph. This attitude to consistently make every attempt to better ourselves is what makes the AAPP such a good association.

When I stop to think of all I have learned during my law enforcement career it is what I learned in AAPP polygraph training that has had the largest impact. I do vow as your president, I will continue to focus on the most up to date and relevant training and information to benefit each member of this great association. I do recognize that there is much work to do as your president. This is not a position to take on lightly and I do not. You have an expectation that I will get the jobs done that need to get done. This is exactly what I intend to do. I pledge to you as your new president that I will do my best to continue to better that organization of the AAPP so we can best facilitate the highest level of communication and training for you.

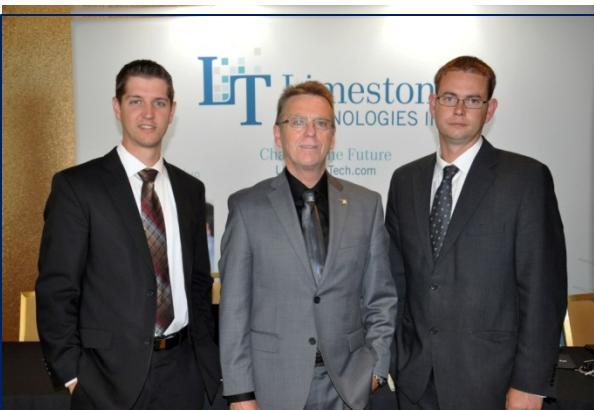
At the top of my list of priorities as you president, is to improve our website to enhance the AAPP's communication with all our members. Your Executive Board wasted no time with this initiative. Our old website served us well, but it became outdated some time ago. In the coming months you will see our website undergo a steady, yet significant, transformation. The upgraded website will improve ease of conference registration, Journal distribution, training topics, and so much more.

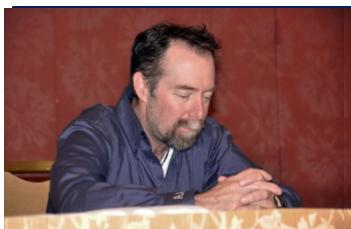
Please do keep in touch. If you want to drop me a line with a question, a concern, or if you just want to say hello, I am always receptive.

James Wardwell
AAPP President



Past Presidents: *Standing from left to right:* Gordon Moore, Donald J. Imbordino, Bruce P. Robertson. *Seated from left to right:* Peter Brannon, Billy Rakes, Karen Clark, John P. Mata and Michael G. Mann.







THANK GOD FOR MICHIGAN!

Stories from the Civil War



Hope to see you at the
Mohegan Sun Resort
in CT next year.



National Office Manager

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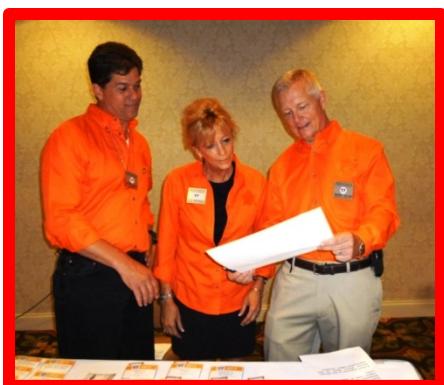
We say thank you and best wishes to our former National Office Manager. After ten years of devoted service to the membership, Julie Gerspacher, has stepped down as our “go to” person at the National Office. I know Julie will be in touch with us and she is currently doing all she can to assist in a smooth transition so we can set up the new National Office without disruption of service to you. Julie was originally hired to do so much less than she ended up doing because the AAPP and our conferences were so much smaller a decade ago. As we grew, so did the work that had to be done by our National Office. Most of you know that Julie’s husband, Mark, would often fill in for us when Julie could not be in two places at the same time. Both Julie and Mark work full time jobs like the rest of us, but as a team they managed to find time to cover the job needs of the National Office. They did this without complaint and with cheerfulness that we all grew to love. The AAPP’s Office duties have grown so much and the duties changed so dramatically that we all realized this was no longer the part time job Julie had been hired to do. In fact it had become a full time job a few years ago, and somehow through incredible teamwork, Julie and Mark were able to get the job done for us. I cannot express enough gratitude for all that the Gerspachers have done for me personally and for the association. Julie and Mark, I do love you and thank you. You will always be friends of the AAPP.

Please join me in wishing Julie and Mark all the best in all that they do in the future.

Amanda Reece has been selected as our National Office Manager.

Jim Wardwell
AAPP President







Thank you Mark & Julie