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THE RVP PERSPECTIVE

“What Members Want”

By Mike Mason, CPP—ASIS Region 6 RVP

Do you remember the movie, “What Women Want” in which a sales executive played by Mel Gibson became very successful after he was bestowed with the unique ability to hear what women are actually thinking that they want? He quickly applied his new found attribute that resulted in his becoming the most successful sales executive in America. Similarly chapter leaders in our region understand this concept and are quickly leading their chapters toward satisfying “What ASIS Chapter Members Want” and that “want” is value of being a member in their chapter. The vehicle that our chapter chairpersons are using as the “path forward” in satisfying “What ASIS Members Want” is the chapter’s business plan that maps out how value will be created all year.

Creating value manifests itself in providing outstanding security management programs, training, certification, and awards. Each of the six chapters took the first step in “creating value” for its members during the first week of 2012 by nominating a deserving member to receive the Allan J. Cross Award which funds that member to attend an ASIS certification (CPP, PSP, CPI) review training course of their choice. Because of this significant effort of each of the chapter’s leaders, six members won an Allan J. Cross Award for their use to acquire one of our professional certifications this year. The Allan J. Cross Award Winners for 2012 are:

- Austin Chapter – Paul T. Cross – Nominated by Chairperson Terry King
- El Paso Chapter – Cindy L. Todd - Nominated by Chairperson Barry Bogle
- Houston Chapter – John A. Wall - Nominated by Chairperson Charles Andrews, CPP
- North Texas Chapter – Paulette Hale - Nominated by Chairperson Millicent Courtney-Ware
- San Antonio Chapter – Arturo Trevino – Nominated by Chairperson Michael Trapp, CPP
- Texas Gulf Coast Chapter – Robert D. Hurt – Nominated by Chairperson Richard Chylinski

ASIS Headquarters, Foundation and Region 6 are likewise committed to assisting chapters in fulfilling the desires of our members. They offer numerous direct and distance security management programs delivered to members at all levels within the organization by conducting courses, providing computer based delivery programs, and funding training. ASIS Headquarters, ASIS Foundation and ASIS Region 6 bestow numerous individual member awards and scholarships as well as chapter awards throughout the year. Certification preparedness courses and related study guides are available at significantly reduced fees or free at the chapter level. ASIS has an extensive professional speakers bureau. Resource libraries and training materials are available from the ASIS Book Store and online at www.asisonline.org. All of these are but a few professional resources available.

On December 5th, 2011, elected and appointed leaders honed their leadership skills by participating in the third annual Chapter Officer Training Seminar that was conducted in the Board Room of Space Center Houston for the third successful year. Leaders from ASIS Group 6, Region 6, and Region 7B were in attendance and included the following:

Name and Area

Group 6

Senior Region Vice President George Quin, CPP

Region 6

Region Vice President Mike Mason, CPP
Assistant Region Vice President Charles F. "Buck" Hamilton, CPP, PSP
Assistant Region Vice President Raymond Mejia, CPP
Assistant Region Vice President Rob Goll, CPP

Austin Chapter

El Paso/Juarez Chapter

Chapter Chair Barry Bogle
Chapter Vice Chair Jaime Garcia
Chapter Secretary Andrew Neal
Chapter Treasurer Jerry L. Wells

North Texas Chapter

Chapter Chair Millicent Courtney-Ware
Chapter Vice Chair John Baker, PCI
Chapter Secretary Grace Sanders
Chapter Treasurer Wally Comwell
Chapter Assistant Treasurer Keith J. Walker

Houston Chapter

Chapter Chair Charles Andrews, CPP
Chapter Vice Chair John Presley
Women In Security Committee Chair Sheryl Byrd
Law Enforcement Liaison Committee Chair Joe Moon
Health Care Committee Chair Ralph Burdett, CPP
Social Committee Chair Darin Dillon, CPP
Golf Committee Chair John A. Wall
Private Security Services Committee Chair Bill Ewing
Public Safety Committee Chair John Moon
International Crime & Political Instability Committee Chair Hank Van Joslin
Careers in Security Committee Chair Michael Przyborski

San Antonio Chapter

Chapter Chair Mike Trapp, CPP
Chapter Vice Chair Colin Ellison, CPP
Chapter Secretary Donald "Drew" Stimely, CPP
Chapter Treasurer Yvonne Vives

Texas Gulf Coast Chapter

Chapter Chair Richard W. Chylinski
Chapter Vice Chair Robert D. Hurt, CPP
Chapter Treasurer Joe Andrade
Chapter Secretary Faraz Khandwala

Region 7B

Region Vice President Rick Riener
Assistant Region Vice President Kevin Siegmund, CPP, PSP

Mississippi Gulf Coast Chapter

Chapter Chair Thomas Scott

Jackson Chapter

Chapter Chair Scott Black

Baton Rouge Chapter

Chapter Chair J. D. Donahoe
Chapter Vice Chair Greg Domingue
Chapter Treasurer Craig Wheelis

Greater New Orleans Chapter

Chapter Chair Eric Amerland
Chapter Vice Chair Thomas J. Freeman

Mobile Chapter

Chapter Chair Ray Pecou
Chapter Vice Chair Kirk Toth

These leaders know what needs to be done to make their chapters successful and each chapter member can rest assured that each one will do an outstanding job of delivering the value that is expected. Good luck in the new year!



Chapter Officer Training Seminar Dinner December 4, 2011

Left to Right are Region 6 Assistant VP Raymond Mejia CPP, Region 6 VP 6 Mike Mason CPP, Regional 7B VP Rick Reiner, and Group 6 Senior Region VP George Quin CPP, ISP,.



Chapter Officer Training Seminar Underway In The Board Room of Space Center Houston December 5, 2011



Regional Chapter Liaison Update

By Rob Goll, Raymond Mejia and Buck Hamilton—ASIS Region 6 Regional Chapter Liaisons

North Texas Chapter

The North Texas Chapter has affirmed its initiatives and elected its Executive Committee for the 2012 term. The following personnel will be fulfilling leadership roles: Millicent Courtney Ware as Chairwoman, John Edward Baker as Vice-Chairman, Grace Sanders as Secretary and Wally Cornwell as Treasurer.

The Leadership Team has already undergone its first official acts of duty for the upcoming year. The first includes the selection of Paulette Hale as the 2012 Allan J. Cross Award Recipient for the chapter. Ms. Hale is an 11 year member of the North Texas Chapter; with over 23 years in the security industry. She has expressed plans to utilize the award in the completion of her PSP certification.

In addition, the North Texas Chapter Executive Team will be making an official presentation of a monetary donation to the Dallas Assist The Officer Foundation on January 21, 2012.

Houston Chapter 012

The Houston Chapter is Doing Better Than Ever

by Susan Casias – Communications Chair

The Houston Chapter of ASIS is as vibrant as ever! With the installation of our new officers, Chuck Andrews, CPP - Chairman, John Presley - Vice Chair; Greg Autry, CPP - Secretary; and Chris Dempster - Treasurer, we're confident the future will continue in this fashion. Under Mike Mallon, our past Chairman, our chapter adopted to align themselves with the ASIS International committees and best practices and this carries on with our new board.

Our newsletter, "The Sentry" is now in color and is a monthly publication. It can also be found on our website at www.asishouston.org. We submitted our newsletters for the Newsletter of the Year award and are anxiously waiting on the results of our hard work. "The Sentry" was definitely a team effort.

We also have a group page on LinkedIn which can be found [here](#). As Communications Chair, I keep everyone posted on current and future events. It's also a great place for our professionals to network and help each other. Our LinkedIn group membership is now 135 strong and growing. We hope you join us and share your ideas and expertise to the benefit of all ASIS members in Texas and across the globe!

One of the traditions of our chapter, the one I love the most, is our salute to the "Officer of the Month". All area law enforcement departments, fire departments, and private security are eligible to submit nominees to recognize extraordinary performance beyond the call of duty, and/or risk to the nominees' life. County, State and Federal organizations are also authorized to submit nominees as the membership of ASIS International is open to every level of government. In December we honor the "Officer of the Year". Our recipient for this was Sergeant Ellison. He was forced into a gunfight with the suspects and was struck twice while the suspects fled the location. Sergeant Ellison, though wounded, continued to guard against the return of the gun men and kept the patrons secure by placing himself between them and the exit. There is no doubt that these suspects had a total disregard for human life and would kill anyone who got in their way. Once Sergeant Ellison determined that the scene was secure it was only then that he asked for an ambulance for his gunshot wounds. It was an honor to have him break bread with us.



Another tradition for our chapter is our yearly “Teddy bears for Tots” event. Spearheaded by Darin Dillon & Tom Hamilton and many other dedicated Chapter members, every year we collect donations to purchase teddy bears that will go to children stuck in a hospital bed for Christmas. It’s always a very emotional event and it really warms my heart to see the same men who chase down criminals shed a tear while doing something nice for a child in need during the holiday season. The Bear event was a huge success! Thanks to the support of our many members, we raised funds for purchasing 1000 teddy bears for distribution at seven local hospitals AND had a few extra dollars to share Christmas joy with the family of a wounded war veteran.

Naturally, we’re all very excited about our February speaker of our monthly luncheon, the Chairman of the Board and former President 2011 of ASIS International, Ray O’Hara, CPP. The topic is “ASIS 2012 and Beyond”! Don’t miss your chance to meet Mr. O’Hara! Come on down to Houston next month! If you want to attend, you will have to register on our website mentioned above when opened for this event.

I know that there is a lot of excitement towards the coming year in our chapter. Under Chuck Andrews’s leadership and the team he built, we have a lot of great new ideas and as Chuck said in his article, *“In short, I keep in mind in each Chapter decision we make, both the Chapter and the Member, as each has its own agenda, creed and interpretation of value. Doing so allows both entities to move forward with benefit intact!”*

The Houston chapter looks forward to bringing more great news to you in following issues. We hope you will come and visit us at our monthly meetings, to wit: www.asishouston.org.

Austin Chapter

The Austin Chapter has recently exploded with new communication initiatives and marketing ideas! This is due primarily the New Chapter Chair, who wrote the following to include in this quarterly newsletter.

The August meeting included a topic supporting our Veterans titled “The U.S. Soldier; what he faces in Deployment, and what he faces upon return to Civilian Life.” A drawing was held during the August meeting and Mr. Nathan Barney won a complimentary ASIS Seminar Registration for the Annual ASIS Conference. Also, during the month of August, a CPP Review Study Group was held and hosted by Temple Inland. The CPP Review will continue for six weeks on Mondays. Twelve persons have signed up for the course.

October’s meeting at the Austin-Bergstrum International Airport included an excellent review of security monitoring and response capabilities as well as a very thorough explanation and review of the inline Baggage Handling System that processes over 1600 bags per hour!

Additional training opportunities included a great event hosted by the Building Owners and Managers Association (BOMA) and sponsored by the Austin ASIS Chapter about Disaster Preparedness with specific information regarding the Active Shooter concerns.

New Chapter Officers include, Terry K. King with Convergent Technologies as Chapter Chair, Jay Baker of Temple-Inland as returning Vice Chair, Robert Rangel of AMD as Treasurer and Pat Byrne with Smith Protective Service as Treasurer. All are excited to serve this growing Chapter and offer many thanks to Laura Oswalt, Ann Martick, and Richard Wright for their loyal and diligent service! The Chapter Officers elected for 2012 were officially installed during the Christmas party social meeting held December 8th by Raymond Mejia, ASIS Region VI ARVP.

The Austin Chapter started off the New Year on Friday, January 13, 2012, at its new meeting location at the Urban Private Dining Room at the Westin Domain. The new location offers additional meeting space, a healthier and more varied menu, as well a more professional setting befitting this growing chapter. Assignments for new committee members will be begin in earnest in January with an emphasis on membership growth, curriculum development with our speakers, and training.

January's meeting will offer an opportunity for the new officers to layout their plan of action for 2012 and to receive feedback on the proposed direction. The Austin Chapter will continue to host its annual Golf Tournament and Shoot-Out Hunger event and 2012 will find the Chapter looking for dates and methods to bolster the successful efforts of both programs.

The Austin Chapter has now formalized its own LinkedIn account and welcomes all new connections within the ASIS Community. The official location is ASIS Chapter 179 (Austin, Texas). Chapter 179 will look to grow its on-line community and use this tool as a forum for advancing and promoting Chapter and National goals.

Finally, Chapter 179 is pleased to announce the recent award of CPP to member Tom Lehman of the Lower Colorado River Authority – Congratulations to Tom!

Further information on this chapter can be found on the chapter website at: asisaustintx179.org.

San Antonio Chapter

The San Antonio Chapter was very successful at selecting the best candidates for the officer positions for 2012. Congratulations go once again to Michael Trapp elected as Chapter Chair, and Yvonne Vive re-elected as Chapter Treasurer. Congratulations also to Colin Ellison, who has taken the reigns as Vice Chair, and Michael Peters as Secretary. All of these officers have brought much to the chapter's membership, ASIS International, and to the security industry. I wish them the best for the New Year.

Michael Trapp had the opportunity to travel to Edmonton, Alberta, Canada to bring his "Radical Islam; What Has Changed in the Ten Years Since 9/11" presentation to their annual Counter-Terrorism Seminar. Mr. Trapp states: "Edmonton is a city (about the size of San Antonio, but a tad cooler) and the Security Professionals focus on the same things you and I worry about: Al Qaeda's growth outside the Arabian Gulf, the dangers presented by the "Lone Wolf" self-radicalized terrorist, and the affect of the current economy on workplace crime and the potential for workplace violence. Like so many conferences, and for that matter our monthly luncheons, the real value was the gathering of a group of security and intelligence professionals to network and share common concerns, and more importantly, shared solutions and lessons learned."

Mr. Trapp also had the opportunity to visit with Janet Napolitano at a separate meeting at the CSO Roundtable at the 2011 ASIS International Seminar in Orlando Florida.

The San Antonio Chapter has earned a reputation for offering outstanding education programs in partnership with the San Antonio Office of Emergency Management. Training, webinars and other CEM credit courses are advertised on Chapter 092 Monthly Newsletter, *The Sentinel Newsletter*.

Another initiative that the San Antonio Chapter supports is the Business Against Theft Network (BATNET), which was created by the San Antonio Police Department (SAPD) and chapter members. BATNET is dedicated to the sharing of information pertaining to all current crime trends and promoting the close networking of the police and private businesses. Internet alerts are also sent out by SAPD notifying active members of recent community crime activity. During meetings both law enforcement officers and attendees from the private business sector directly discuss Investigative issues.

The January's edition of the chapter's Sentinel Newsletter has included a copy of the Young Security Professionals Council Charter (2011-2012). The Mission Statement is as follows:

The Young Security Professionals Council was established by the Greater San Antonio Chapter of ASIS. The purpose of the Y.S.P.C. is to develop and educate young security careerist and collegiate students enrolled in Criminal Justice and Homeland Security undergraduate and/or graduate studies. Additionally the Y.S.P.C. will prepare students for careers in the Security Management profession. ASIS San Antonio Chapter will promote opportunities for professional development, networking, and inter-disciplinary dialogue while cultivating Young Security Professionals as our future security leaders in the industry.



I encourage all to read the rest of the charter from their excellent newsletter located at this link: <http://www.sanantonioasis.org/media/Jan%202012.pdf> .

The chapter's monthly luncheon meetings included the topics of Video Standards for Security Cameras, by Mr. Mike Peters, Sgt. Brian Tadier and a team from the SAPD; the holiday get together and installation of the 2012 officers, and Art Trevino and Greg Rodriguez providing information about "Operating in Mexico and the Border Regions".

The San Antonio Chapter's monthly meetings are the first Tuesday of every month at The Barn Door located at 8400 North New Braunfels Avenue. Location phone number is (210) 824-0116. Networking starts at 11:30 a.m. and the meeting is from noon until 1 p.m.

Please visit <http://www.sanantonioasis.org> to learn more about the activities in San Antonio and the informative newsletter and educational opportunities.

Texas Gulf Coast Chapter

The Texas Gulf Coast has pulled through some challenging times last year. The area of coverage means that members can live several hundred miles away from where the meetings are typically held, in Corpus Christi, TX. This makes it difficult for the chapter to share ASIS Goals and Mission objectives as well as to maintain active participation and collect revenue. The chapter officers adjusted the Chapter Business Plan to reflect actions that can realistically expect to be achieved and have adjusted the meeting schedule from monthly to bi-monthly.

Congratulations go to Mr. Rich Chylinski for being re-elected as Chapter Chair, (2nd term + 5 terms as former Chapter Secretary), Vice-Chairman: Dave Hurt, CPP (1st term), Secretary: Faraz Khandwala, (2nd term + 2 terms as Chapter Webmaster), Treasurer: Joe Andrade (3rd term + 2 terms as Webmaster Committee Member). The Chapter Membership also agreed to appoint the following Chapter Members to the volunteer leadership committee positions listed below: Certification Rep and Young Professional Organization Liaison Joey Clements, CPP Law Enforcement Liaison Raul Vasquez, Firefighter Liaison Harley Schmidt, and Webmaster Faraz Khandwala. The Chapter Officers were officially installed during the December 14th 2011, meeting by ASIS Region 6 ARVP Raymond Mejia, CPP.

The chapter is taking steps in support of ASIS International's Young Professional Group as part of the chapter's actions to increase membership. The goals of the ASIS International's Young Professionals Task Force are:

- More integration and networking with peers/mentors within the membership.
- Connect people and allow them to build relationships, and learn from one another.
- Develop customized programs specifically for young professionals.
- Build a replicable model so that chapters can benefit from each other's successes.
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In addition, please visit or join [ASIS Young Professionals LinkedIn Group](#) where discussions about programming, solicitation of volunteers, and announcements regarding activities.

Chairman Rich Chylinski hopes that by reaching out to young professionals mutually beneficial professional relationships will develop and increase membership as well. Chairman Chylinski has reached out to Mr. **John Graham**, Assistant Professor of Criminal Justice at the Department of Public Safety at Del Mar College and had several "eager to learn" students from the Criminal Justice Program attend the Texas Gulf Coast Chapter meeting.

The Chapter has once again reached out to Del Mar College and sent another invitation to Mr. Graham regarding the Young Professional Organization and how his Criminal Justice Students would benefit from becoming members of ASIS.



Other ways of reaching out to potential members was by having a meeting at the Texas A&M University - Corpus Christi Campus. Chief of Police Alan Gutierrez hosted the October Chapter meeting on-campus and kindly provided lunch to all members and guests. The Chief and two of his Sergeants provided the Chapter with an overview of the challenges they face in policing the campus and its current population of more than 10,000 students, faculty and Staff. Often referring to the campus as a city within a city, the Chief explained how his department had complete jurisdiction with local support from city, county and state law enforcement agencies. The Chief and his Sergeants went on to explain how the Clery Act required institutions of higher learning to report crimes as they occur to insure the campus population is promptly made aware of the crimes, the risks involved and the measures taken to prevent them from occurring. Similar to the Uniformed Crime Report or UCR, the department is required to maintain accurate statistical data for all Part I and Part II crimes, as they would relate to the University. The Chief was presented with a token of appreciation for hosting this Chapter meeting and feeding those in attendance. Photos were taken and are posted on the Chapter's website www.asistxgulfcoast.org for everyone to see.

The Chapter Members in and around the City of Corpus Christi are supportive of the Corpus Christi Police Department in graffiti reduction and other community protection initiatives. Chief of Police Troy Riggs has been very successful in part due to the support the Texas Gulf Coast Chapter has provided. Chief Troy Riggs states; "Our accomplishments are too vast to mention all of them, but our success can best be summed up by saying that we have reduced crime, reduced the fear of crime, and increased public safety."

Other networking activities included participation with the Port Lavaca/Point Comfort/Victoria Barge Canal Port Security Working Group (PSWG). Chairman Chylinski briefed the attendants about the ASIS International and how ASIS is recognized and endorsed by the USCG and the Department of Homeland Security as the published authority on physical security standards for facilities governed by the Maritime Transportation and Security Act, MTSA. Additionally, he followed up followed up with a letter to all participants and meeting notice recipients to show them how they can become members and obtain additional information about ASIS. He also invited them to visit our chapter's website where they can easily navigate and learn more about us, the benefits, professional development, training and certifications one can achieve as a member of ASIS.

During the Executive Leadership Conference held in Houston in December 2011, we were all surprised to learn that the Texas Gulf Coast efforts to increase membership earned them a reward for the year of 2010. The Texas Gulf Coast Chapter was announced as an award recipient of the Member-Get-a-Member Campaign. This award is for increasing membership for by at least 10% and earned them a \$250 cash reward. Congratulations Texas Gulf Coast!



The chapter will continue to meet on the 2nd Wednesday of the month (Jan, Mar, May, Jul, Sep and Nov) at Johnny Carino's Italian Restaurant on the East side of SPID (South Padre Island Drive) just South of Greenwood Drive, at noon. Please visit the Texas Gulf Coast Chapter website for additional information and updates at: asistxgulfcoast.org.

El Paso Chapter

The Chapter used the November meeting to conduct officer elections for upcoming year. The 2011 Chapter Chairman, Barry Bogle was reelected for a second term as Chair and 2011 Vice Chairman Jaime Garcia was reelected as Vice Chairman. Andrew Neal was elected as Secretary and Jerry Wells CPP was elected as the Chapter Treasurer, replacing Joe Pratt who had performed yeoman's duty as the Chapter Treasurer for about 5 years.

The Chapter's December meeting was it's Christmas Social meeting, which was held on December 16 at the Hyatt Place El Paso Airport. Members of the El Paso LEAPS committee also attended the dinner social. The featured entertainment was Manuel Solis, a musician and vocalist who kept the atmosphere warm and festive during the dinner. The evening included a White Elephant gift exchange that was humorous. Rumor has it that the real entertainment of the evening was Jaime Garcia at the karaoke microphone, but the guilty parties confiscated all pictures of the event. By everyone's account, the party was a great success.

The January meeting was the Chapter's annual business meeting where the goals and objectives of the chapter were discussed by the membership. Topics included the desire by the membership to hold a one or half day security seminar focusing on border issues, review of the current website contract, and identifying topics of interest for the upcoming meetings.

The key news for the Chapter was notification by ASIS International Headquarters that the Juarez members of the El Paso/Juarez Chapter had successfully petition to form their own chapter. Border Security issues over the last several years included delays passing through border checkpoints had made it extremely difficult for the chapter's Juarez membership to participate in monthly chapter activities. We wish the new Ciudad Juarez Chapter 280 a very successfully new year and offer them every assistance in the new year.

In January the Chapter was also notified that the Chapter's Cross Award nominee, Ms Cindy Todd had received the award. She plans on using the award to take the on-line Professional Certified Investigator training in preparation to taking the PCI exam.

Guest Articles Needed!

The Region 6 Newsletter would like to include guest articles from our Chapters and from individual ASIS members in the Regions. Please share with us your best security practices or thoughts on current security items. One of the means by which certified security practitioners may earn recertification is by publishing an article on security matters. —The Texas Star is a great venue for experience or novice writers. Help share your expertise and security insights with fellow ASIS professionals in Region 6. Submit your articles to Buck Hamilton at buckhamilton@asisregion6.com

Region 6 Financial Director Notes

By Raymond Mejia, CPP—ASIS Region 6 ARVP and Financial Director

Greetings,

I want to thank you all for your cooperation during my first year assigned as the Finance Director for Region Six. I was happy to meet new people and place names with faces. I intend to take every opportunity available to meet others. Although there is much that changes with financial rules and audits, the personnel responsible for submitting audits and reports, change frequently. Three things, which I have learned over the last year, that are important and helpful for Treasurers and the Chapter Officers are:

- Keep accurate and up-to-date records (update information as it changes)
- Keep receipt and disbursement information (audits are required and these must be produced)
- Schedule audits at the end of the year (provides time to resolve issues and inform new officers)
- It also makes sense to time the IRS tax submission with the annual audit. A copy of the IRS Form W-9 can be found in the "IRS – Tax Form W-9" folder of the "Region & Chapter MGMT Tools" folder of the Region & Chapter Management CD provided to all chapter officers. It can also be found at the following link: <http://www.irs.gov/pub/irs-pdf/fw9.pdf>.

Please see the note below from the Policy and Procedures Section 4000 also located on the Region & Chapter Management CD.

"VII. Chapters must submit their final/audited annual financial reports (e.g. Balance Sheet and Income Statements) to ASIS Headquarters/Member Services no later than three (3) months following the end of the year. The income statement should breakout the revenue sources and expense uses of chapter funds in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles."

Chapter Chairs, Treasurers and others involved in the Finances, Accounting or Disbursements are encouraged to review the "Resource CD" and ensure that they are aware and familiar with the information related to these subjects. The Chapters also have responsibilities on a Regional level. Please see the notes below from the Policy and Procedures Section 4011:

"IV. Chapters may be asked to support Regional activities through a separate account in a financial management role in the following manner:

Chapters are not permitted to establish Regional events without discussion, analysis, and written approval from the RVP and SRVP.

Upon approval from the RVP and SRVP for a Regional event, all chapters involved must have a signed agreement that outlines the roles and responsibilities for each chapter's or Region's representatives.

The RVP and SRVP will have total oversight for events that are regional as they may impact another chapter in that region.

A chapter must be selected to manage all the financial activity for a Regional event.

The chapter elected corporate officers will be held responsible for the management and reporting of an event back to all parties involved. An electronic copy of the final financial report must be provided to the RVP for inclusion in their report to the SRVP and ASIS headquarters.

The chapter must set up Region funds in a segregated account on behalf of the Region.

All events, reports and the redistribution of funds must be completed and submitted within 60 days following the conclusion of the event.

The RVP along with the designated chapter elected officers will have account signature authority.

The RVP is responsible for the Region account and reports to the SRVP.

The RVP and SRVP have the authority to audit the Region funds held by the chapter at any time."

Additional information regarding chapter finances can be found in the “Financial Handbook” located at the ASIS Website at the following link: <http://www.asisonline.org/chapters/member-secure/VirtualChapter/chaptertools.xml>. You must first log in with your membership number and password. I encourage all members to do this frequently as there is so much information available to benefit you with your professional development and responsibilities.

Once again, I wish you all the best for 2012 and hope that I can help to support your finance and auditing obligations. I appreciate your continued effort to copy me on financial information sent to ASIS Headquarters. If you need any assistance from me as the Region Six Finance Director or as a Regional Chapter Liaison, please contact me by telephone at 225-288-0118, via email at RMejia@ASISRegion6.com. Thank you again for your support and I appreciate the opportunity to serve you once again as the Region Six as the Finance Director.



Region 6 Communications Director Notes

By Buck Hamilton CPP, PSP—ASIS Region 6 Communications Director

The New Year is bringing increasing challenges for every Region 6 chapter, but one of the biggest is how to engage our many members who pay their dues, but fail to participate in Chapter meetings or activities. Mike made this the theme of his RVP Perspective in this quarter's newsletter. What do your members want or need to have them fully participate in ASIS. Membership can't be like the gym membership bought in December but never used for the rest of the year. The challenge each chapter has in communicating with these inactive members is to use every tool in your communications toolbox.

The first and most important tool in this electronic age of social media is to pick up the phone and call the member and talk one-on-one. Social media, emails, and your website are good tools; but nothing works quite as well as a Chapter officer or committee chair calling a member. Use the call to encourage their participation and ask them, “What do you need? What can we do to get you to participate?” Also use the call to confirm email address and other basic information the chapter requires.

Take your latest membership roster, split it up between the chapter leadership and the committee chairmen and CALL.

The second most useful tool is your roster of email addresses. Are they current? Do you track “bounced email” address and CALL the owner of the address to obtain a correct one. Each member is responsible for keeping their contact information current on the ASIS International website, but sometimes it helps to remind members of this responsibility.

Chapter Newsletters can be another means of contacting missing membership, but only if mailing addresses are correct. Most newsletters these days, including this one, go out by email to save cost. This makes it even more important to have and maintain current, active email addresses.

The last major tool a chapter has in its Communications Toolbox is your chapter's website. It needs to be current and up-to-date with material that matters to your membership. Do you have a way to track "hits" on your website. Knowing how many people visit your website will give you important statistics on the value of the site. Few hits indicate that no one is interested on what is posted. This makes it difficult to sell advertising to off-set the cost of the site and its maintenance. Like any business, having a "business plan" for your website will help you keep the site current, generate interest as well as income, and help you CONNECT with your membership.

Other tools include Facebook, Twitter and other social media sites. These social media sites or apps are very useful for younger members; but are they used by the Chapter's older members? Again, you can not know for sure unless you talk with your membership and identify their preference and their needs.

Focusing on improving your communications with your membership early in this new year will assist your efforts in the Website and Newsletter of the Year competitions. The completion, however, is secondary to communicating with your membership.

The Emergence of Military and Contractor Cyber-Espionage

On November 28, 2011, Monday, General [Martin Dempsey](#), the new Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, warned about the frequent breaches of the military's cyber-security. U.S. military officials have frequently warned that more investment in cyber-security is critical. In an intelligence report prepared for Congress in November, [China and Russia](#) were identified as the most active nations in stealing U.S. trade and technology military related secrets with China in the lead. Of course a Chinese Embassy spokesman in Washington, [Wang Baodong](#), denied the allegations. Scott Borg, director of the US Cyber Consequences Unit, a nonprofit think tank said the report appears to be moving the issue of cyber-espionage into a formal realm where diplomats will negotiate the issue.

Source: Examiner.com [U.S. Military Chief: "We're under constant attack every day" - Chicago Homeland Security | Examiner.com](#) <http://www.examiner.com/homeland-security-in-chicago/u-s-military-chief-we-re-under-constant-attack-every-day#ixzz1fO2ySGsp>



Training Opportunities with Texas DPS

Region 6 Members should explore the training information site of the Texas Department of Public Safety, Division of Emergency Management, www.PreparingTexas.org. The site lists all TEEEX and Division of Emergency Management courses being offered around the State as well as courses offered by the 24 regional councils of government.

Most of these courses are free and registration is offered on-line. At the time of the preparation of this quarter's *Texas Star*, there were 298 courses offered by the site.

A sample of courses, which could be of interest to ASIS members, are:

Bomb Making Materials Appreciation Program (BMAP)

Feb 7, 2012

El Paso Sheriff's Training Academy

0800 – 1600

Register at www.PreparingTexas.org Course ID: BMAP

Bomb Making Materials Appreciation Program (BMAP)

Feb 9, 2012

Permian Basin Law Enforcement Academy

0800 – 1600



Region 6 Awards, Certification and Training Director Notes

By Rob Goll, CPP, CHS-III—ASIS Region 6 ARVP and Certification and Training Director

The Cross Award honors Allan J. Cross, an executive vice president of PPM 200 Inc. until his death in 1996, who often pointed to his Certified Protection Professional (CPP) status with pride. PPM and the ASIS Foundation created this award to honor his legacy. The Allan J. Cross Award pays the registration fees for 30 ASIS members to attend an ASIS certification review course of their choice. Congratulations to all Region 6 Chapters who nominated a member to receive the Allan J. Cross Award. For the first time ever, all of the nominees were selected to receive the award. Both the Dallas and Houston Chapters in Region 6 have nominated a chapter member.

The Walsh Award introduced in 2004, honors Timothy J. Walsh, CPP, an ASIS member who served at the committee, chapter, and national levels, and as international president from 1964 to 1965. Given twice a year, the Timothy J. Walsh APC I Award pays the tuition, transportation, and hotel costs for a member to attend an ASIS Assets Protection Course (APC) 1. Region 6 chapters are in the process of selecting candidates to nominate for this award by 1-29-2011.

The Roy Bordes Award for Physical Security pays for a two-day, locally delivered physical security program for one chapter each year. Established in 2008, the award covers instructors, their travel and accommodations, and collateral materials. Meeting expenses are the host chapter's responsibility.

The Chapter Matching Scholarship provides matching funds for an education award to a chapter member, or an undergraduate or graduate student seeking a security management career. If a chapter member is the recipient, the ASIS Foundation will double the chapter award amount up to \$1,000. If the recipient is a student, the Foundation will match the chapter award amount up to \$500. The foundation funds 50 Chapter Matching Scholarships per calendar year with a limit of one per chapter. In order to be qualified, the recipient must be a full or part-time student who has completed one year of study from an accredited institution of higher education. The chapter sets the minimum grade point average for an undergraduate student, while the graduate student must earn a minimum 3.0 on a 4.0 grade point average scale. All chapter matching funds applications must be submitted to the ASIS Foundation no later November 20th.

Each year, a \$500 Regional Vice President Scholarship Award is offered by the Region 6 RVP. The ASIS Foundation funds this award. A chapter may nominate one of their previously selected chapter scholarship recipients for this award.

Webinars—fully interactive online education programs—bring the latest information on hot topics, critical issues, best practices, and special interests to your home, chapter meeting, desktop, or conference room and offer one of the best educational values you will find. Security industry experts host live events that are short—only 90 minutes—engaging, and to the point. Staying current while saving time and money could not be easier. Individual participants or members of a group are enabled to ask questions, make comments and provide insight.

Attending conferences or meetings sometimes stretches your budget and man-hours—especially when your entire team needs to hear the information or when the information needed is so specific it does not merit attending a full conference. Making travel reservations and sitting through unnecessary breakout sessions to get the insight you need are unnecessary.

Instructions outlining how to join the webinar are sent via email prior to the event. On the scheduled date and time, follow your instructions and get ready to enjoy the presentation, contribute to the discussion, and participate in the question and answer session. Remember: program times listed are U.S. Eastern Standard Time.

55th Anniversary of the North Texas Chapter



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Established: January 22, 1957

2012 Chapter Officers

Chair: Millicent A. Courtney Ware, PCI
Vice Chair: John E. Baker, PCI
Secretary: Grace Sanders
Treasurer: Walter Cornwell

Original Chapter Officers

Chapter Chair: William Overholtz
Vice Chair: Arthur W. Allen
Vice Chair: John W. Farrell
Secretary-Treasurer: John Hardy

CHAPTER AWARDS

Newsletter of the Year:

1995 – Group VI Honorable Mention
1994 – Group VI Honorable Mention
1990 – Group VI Honorable Mention

Website of the Year:

2008 – Group VII Honorable Mention

IB Hale Chapter of the Year:

1994 – Group VI Winner
1993 – Group VI Honorable Mention
1991 – Group VI Winner
1990 – Group VI Honorable Mention

Allan J. Cross Award:

2011 – Jacqueline Carter
2010 – Arion Holliman
2009 – Marius A. Smith

CHAPTER STATISTICS

Total Members: 689
Number of CPPs: 109
Number of PSPs: 9
Number of PCIS: 12
Life Members: 12

Members with Over 50 Years of Membership:

Dennis A Chesshir CPP
Richard T Wall

Members with 40 - 49 Years of Membership:

Charles K Moody
Bill E Caffee
Robert T Davis
Russell C Wood

Members with 30 – 39 Years of Membership: 19
Members with 20 – 29 Years of Membership: 53
Members with 10 – 19 Years of Membership: 115
Members with 5 – 9 Years of Membership: 112
Members with 1-4 Years of Membership: 384



ASIS Region 6 Award Groups

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These are the ASIS International chapter peer award groupings for Region 6 for the 2010 competition period for the *I.B. Hale Chapter of the Year Award*, *Chapter Community Service Award*, *Chapter Newsletter of the Year Award* and the *Chapter Web Site of the Year Award*. Each chapter's size and subsequent peer grouping is determined based upon a 1 January 2010 "snapshot" of the ASIS International Headquarters chapter membership records.

Award Group 1 (40 chapter members or less)

- **Texas Gulf Coast (Chapter # 108)** < 24 Members >

Award Group 2 (41 – 70 chapter members)

- **El Paso/Juarez (Chapter # 112)** < 58 Members >

Award Group 5 (160 - 300 chapter members)

- **Austin (Chapter # 179)** < 198 Members >
- **San Antonio (Chapter # 092)** < 202 Members >

Award Group 7 (575 or more chapter members)

- **North Texas (Chapter # 010)** < 675 Members >
- **Houston (Chapter # 012)** < 737 Members >



The Lone Star Calendar

Seminars, Submission Deadlines, and Chapter Events

- **January 13 - Applications accepted for Roy Bordes Physical Security Award**

Apply for a customized, two-day physical security education program for your chapter. Annually, one ASIS chapter is honored with the Roy Bordes Physical Security Award, which pays toward the cost of instructors, their travel and accommodations, and collateral materials.

Deadline: March 9, 2012

- **April 2 - Applications accepted for Student Writing Competition**

Help undergraduate and graduate students win cash prizes for producing a research paper on security issues. Please note: participation is not limited to students in the security or law enforcement fields.

Deadline: November 9, 2012

- **April 20 - Applications accepted for the Matt Simeone ASIS Award for P3 Excellence**

Showcase your organization's law enforcement - private security partnership and share your success in addressing crime prevention, antiterrorism, public safety issues and other difficult challenges. A representative from the winning organization and the partnering agency will win travel expenses to attend ASIS 2012 in Philadelphia.

Deadline: May 18, 2012

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Ongoing Security Education and Training

[TEEX WMD Campus](#)

[FEMA Emergency Management Institute](#)

[National Homeland Security Knowledgebase \(NHSK\)](#)

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Annual \$600 sponsor fee includes:

- Newsletter Business Card
- Website Banner

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