

A Note From The Chair**Randy Ryan, CPP, 2008 Chapter Chairman****Chairman's Comments****December 2008**

As my tenure as your Chairman comes to a close I wanted to take time to reflect on 2008 and highlight some of our chapter's accomplishments:

Our chapter grew even more this year to our current membership of 706.

We hosted the 2008 ASIS International Annual Seminars and Exhibits and by all accounts it was a grand success. Though attendance was down a bit this year, the consensus of everyone from ASIS Headquarters was that it will be held here again in the near future.

We have had some great speakers this year who educated us on everything from Domestic Violence to Trends in Electronics.

We co-hosted a Bombing Awareness seminar that drew hundreds of representatives from law enforcement, property management and private security

We once again proudly hosted law enforcement appreciation day

And we facilitated another CPP review program for members

If there is any disappointment that I can mention, it would be the continued low participation of members at our chapter lunch meetings. Although we have 706 members who claim to be affiliated with the Atlanta Chapter, we continue to have an attendance of 35 or less at the monthly meetings. Perhaps it is overly optimistic to expect active participation above the 5 percent level but our goal in 2009 is to raise this. If you are missing the meetings then you are missing out on good food, great fellowship and an informative exchange of ideas. I hope that you will consider attending our meetings in 2009.

We elected our Chapter officers for the 2009 year at our November meeting and they will be installed at the December, which will be hosted on December 17 at the Marriot Century Center. Our new executive committee includes the following officers:

Chairman - John Garrigan

Vice Chairman – Dan Oakley, CPP

Secretary – Melissa Mulhall

Treasurer – Greg McClain, CPP

Don't miss our December meeting! We will be recognizing 4 Officers and 1 Supervisor at our annual Security Officer Recognition Day. Thanks to Joe Shields for heading up the committee for officer awardees again this year. Please come out and help us spotlight and commend the foundation of our industry – the security supervisors and officers.

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Our next Certification Study Group will be the CPP Study Group beginning in Mid January 2009.

Once again, J R Filson has volunteered to facilitate the CPP Study Group this year. Please contact him via email at JR_Filson@irco.com if you would like to attend this year's CPP Study Group.

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Member-Abilia

Our Door Prize winner in November was
Clint Armstrong. He won an ASIS International Coffee Mug,
Donated by the Chapter. Congratulations!

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Letter from the Editor



**John Garrigan—Vice Chair and
 Newsletter Editor**

It is hard to believe that 2008 is at an end. As Randy Ryan indicated in his remarks, our chapter once again had a very successful year. As this year closes, let me be the first to thank Randy Ryan for his hard work and leadership as our chapter chair. His experience and active involvement in ASIS International at the local, regional and national levels has represented us well and on behalf of the entire chapter, great job! This was a particularly challenging year due to our hosting of the international seminar and exhibits. Thanks to Randy's leadership and Tim Giles' team of super stars, this was one of the best seminars in ASIS history!

In 2009, I will be accepting your call to serve as chapter chair. I am humbled by this position and pledge my dedication and commitment to carry the mantle of leadership with which I will be entrusted. In January, we will begin to lay out our strategy and program plan for the new year. I will be soliciting the input of all members in this endeavor and look forward to working with all of you. I will also continue to serve as The Informant editor and Kevin Franklin has also agreed to stay on as the publisher. Thank you so much, Kevin!

From the entire executive committee, Merry Christmas to you and your family. Let us all reflect on our successes and blessings and wish our country many blessings in the new year as a new president is sworn in. See you at the December meeting!

Treasurer's Report

ASIS Greater Atlanta Chapter Treasurer's Report

- ◆ Beginning balance: \$9,989.98
- ◆ Deposits: \$825.00
- ◆ Expenses: \$5,886.01
- ◆ Ending Balance: \$4,928.97

Major withdrawals associated with November Luncheon Costs.

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The Greater Atlanta Chapter of ASIS International will hold the next Chapter Luncheon at the beautiful Century Center Marriott Hotel on

Wednesday, December 17, 2008.

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ASIS Greater Atlanta Security Officer Recognition Day

SORD CANDIDATES NAMED!

The Greater Atlanta Chapter of ASIS International is pleased to announce the 2008 Security Officers of the Year winners! Our thanks to Joe Shields, CPP for heading up the Nominating Committee again this year. The Greater Atlanta Chapter will recognize the following Security Officers and Security Supervisor at the December Luncheon on December 17, 2008:

Security Supervisor Awardee:

Michael Powell Checkfree Site supervisor
Wackenhut.

Security Officers Awardees:

Regina Ashford Delta Global Services
Assigned to SunTrust Plaza

William "Bill" Perry SecureAmerica
Assigned to the Terraces South

Alexis Hurd SecureAmerica
Assigned to 1180 Peachtree St

Junine Boateng Securitas
Assigned to Foodservice

Congratulations to all of the winners! Each will receive a U S Savings Bond and a beautiful Plaque. Each of the nominating companies will also receive a duplicate plaque to display in their offices for each candidate.

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ELECTION OF 2009 Chapter Officers

The following Chapter Officers Elect will be sworn in during the December Luncheon:

Chairman: John Garrigan

Vice-Chair: Dan Oakley, CPP

Secretary: Melissa Mulhall

Treasurer: Greg McLain, CPP

The Swearing in ceremony will be conducted by the out-going Chapter Chairman Randy Ryan, CPP and Past Chapter Chairman Kevin Franklin, CPP

NEW 2009 CHAPTER LUNCH FEES APPROVED

In early November, the chapter's executive committee approved an increase in the amount charged for chapter monthly lunch meetings from \$25.00 to \$30.00, effective with the January 2009 meeting.

The executive committee regrets having to increase member costs but felt strongly that this decision had to be made on the basis of fiscal responsibility. We have maintained the lunch cost at \$25.00 for six years, but due to increasing food, beverage and service costs, coupled with the fact that we have hosted these lunches at a loss for several years, an increase was justified.

Many ASIS chapters across the US charge up to \$50.00 for monthly lunch meetings and many chapters actually charge members separate annual dues.

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