



June 30, 2016

GCAT Newsletter Closing of a Great Conference

Membership Dues Reminder

*If you are an on an individual membership invoices will go out in September 1, 2016, you can pay now or by 4/1/17. \$50.00

2 for 1 Membership Special from now until December 31, 2016, you can purchase 2 memberships for \$100.00 that is good until December 31, 2017. Renewal fees for 2018 will be \$50.00 per person every year after 2016.

Hotel Information

Drury Plaza Hotel
105 South St Mary Street
San Antonio, Texas
1-800-325-0720 for reservations
Group Number: 2262845

CUTOFF Date: April 16, 2017, SUNDAY

After this date we as the board cannot help you try and get into the hotel, you will have to make arrangements on your own.

Wrap up for 2016 GCAT Conference

From the Questionnaires that have been turned in we had a successful conference, this past year and I am happy to report. We have had a few requests for speakers to return which is always a wonderful sign.

New Topics and Idea

TDCJ-Inmate collections
Scofflaw
City, JP, County and District courts collections
New technologies
Counterfeit money
Juvenile Laws & Collections
Building relationships with parole
Metal Health issues
Legislative issues
How to get Judges on Board
More Breakout sessions

Classes & Breakouts

We have requested to hold more breakout sessions next year. We are currently trying to get the space at the hotel. Everyone is currently able to stay at the Drury Plaza Hotel.

Website

www.govcat.net, please refer to the new forms and the membership contact information will be updated by August 2016.

Refunds for Conference Registrations

30 days prior in writing the \$195.00 or the \$250.00 will be refunded in full, but this must be in writing to the Board of Directors and given to the President and Treasurer 30 days prior. **30 days or less will have to be approved by the GCAT board.**

******FYI******

Please take time to visit with your OCA Specialist and find out about the changes that have been proposed. This might affect a lot of programs within the state.

Awards

Please make sure if you are nominating a office or clerk please always make sure they are able to attend the annual conference.

Goodbye with a Home Run

As I close up this chapter of my life as the GCAT President, it has been my honor to serve you these past four years. The board of GCAT works a lot behind the screens to help and without a wonderful board of directors we couldn't put on the annual conference. I will continue to offer my help if needed but as always each organization needs new and fresh ideas. I believe the new elected President has a lot of fresh ideas to offer. Again, thank you for allowing me to serve as the President of the greatest Collections Association in the world. Tanya Skinner